



## NEWS YOU CAN USE - FEBRUARY 1, 2019

Nardin Park United Methodist Church 248-476-8860

[www.nardinpark.org](http://www.nardinpark.org)

### SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE SPECIAL EVENTS:

*February 10th:* Bottle and Can Drive

*February 10th:* VCI Town Hall Meeting after worship

*March 6th:* Ash Wednesday Service @ 7:00 pm

*March 23rd:* Community Health Fair

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### COMING UP IN WORSHIP:

Beat the doldrums of winter with our new worship series: The Gospel and the Movies. We will explore several recent movies as a part of our worship services, and the gospel messages. Watch movies by renting from the library or on cable, Netflix, Hulu or Amazon and then come and hear about them in worship. (You can still enjoy the worship series even if you don't see the movies.)

**Sunday, February 3rd - New worship series begins: *Nardin Park @ the Movies*.** Pastor Melanie will be preaching on the movie, *Wonder*. Kyle Webber and the Cherub and Wesley Choirs will be singing. The Chancel Choir will also be singing with soloist, Rachel Leftwich.

**Sunday, February 10th -** Pastor Melanie will be preaching on the movie, *The Greatest Showman*. Bells of Grace will be playing and Gracers Ignite, the Youth Choir, will be singing.

**Sunday, February 17th -** Pastor Melanie will be preaching on the movie, *Black Panther*. The Chancel Choir will be singing.

**Sunday, February 24th -** Pastor Beth will be preaching on the movie, *Christopher Robin Returns*. The Chancel Choir will be singing.

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### ***COMING IN MARCH: Sunday, March 3rd - Camp Sunday and Scout Sunday***

All Scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform: Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Brownies and Girl Scouts. We will celebrate camping ministries with Pack 389, a Cub Scout pack, which Nardin Park sponsors.



## NIGHT @ THE PARK MENU:



### **February 5th** *Soul Food Night*

*Salad*  
*Corn Bread*  
*Oven Fried Chicken*  
*Mac N Cheese*  
*Greens*  
*Peach Cobbler*

### **February 12th** *Soup Night*

*Salad*  
*Dinner Rolls*  
*Chicken and Rice Soup*  
*Broccoli Cheese Soup*  
*Dessert*

### **February 26th** *American Dinner*

*Salad*  
*Dinner Rolls*  
*Meatloaf*  
*Mashed Potatoes*  
*Peas and Carrots*  
*Dessert*

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## FILMGOERS:

Our next meeting is on February 17, 2019 at 7:00 pm. We will be discussing "On the Basis of Sex", "If Beale Street Could Talk", "Vice", & "Destroyer". Please see the movies on your own & then join us for a lively discussion. Any questions, please call Wes Brun.

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**FOR SALE:** Artificial Ficus trees and various artificial plants on the stage area. Contact Sherry Wright or Tina Jensen through the church office if interested.

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## SMALL GROUPS - COMING SOON TO NARDIN PARK!

The VCI Discipleship Team is excited to announce the launch of a new program for Nardin Park. We will be forming "Small Groups" in February, to run from March to May. Sign up is still available Feb. 3rd after worship service. Wes Brun and others will be at the table to answer any questions you might have. Details on each group will be in the bulletin both Sundays. The initial launch will be 4 Small Groups that will be led by Matt and Wendy Kastner, Amy Dowell, Michelle Kreager and Marshall Dunlap and Bob Docking.

Would you like to find a practical way to take the Sunday message out into the world, your home, your work and the community by meeting with a friendly group of people? By sharing how it applies to your lives and your faith, you will grow together in your faith and help each of us to recognize God's call in our lives.

Small Groups are designed to help us grow as Christians and individuals in connection to God and others and take God's work out into the world with our actions and our reactions. The goal of these fellowship groups is to help us recognize the Holy Spirit in everyday life. These are different than the normal Bible Studies that have been offered. These groups start by having a dialogue about the Bible verses and sermon topics used each Sunday and how we can apply them to our everyday life.

Please watch for the bulletin insert and stop by our information table for more details on this exciting new program!



# NARDIN PARK KIDS



## “Night @ the Park”

Tuesdays

February 5 and 12

For kids K - 5th Grade

5:00 p.m. **Games / Snacks**

5:30 p.m. **Dinner**

6:00 p.m. **Choir : 3rd - 5th Grades**

**Bible 101 : K—2nd Graders**

**New Testament - Orange Belts/ Jesus**

**Purple Belt begins - Celebration**

6:30 p. m. **Choir - K - 2nd Grades**

**Bible 235: My Testament :**

*A Picture and Word Journal about Me and God.*

Feb. 5 : It's a Miracle!

Feb. 12: Forty / In the Wilderness

All end @ 7 p.m. Childcare 5-5:30; and 6 - 7:15 p.m.

*See other notes for youth and adults.*

## February Mission:

◆ **Crossroads Soup Kitchen - Sunday, February 17th**  
Morning until early afternoon/ in Detroit ...see mission notes

◆ **P, B and J sandwich making**  
**Friday, February 22 at 7 p.m. / Nardin**

## “Godly Play”

Classes for kids on Sundays 10 a.m.

Second Floor rooms Ages 3 years - 5th Grade



### A month of Parables:

Stories Jesus told to help us better understand God.

**February 3 - Parable of the Great Pearl**

*Pre-school— 2nd Graders*

**Side - by - Side Parables 3rd - 5th Graders**

**February 10 - Parable of the Sower**

*Pre-school— 2nd Graders*

**Parable of Parables 3rd - 5th Graders**

### Music with Mrs. Brady 10:50 - 11:05 a. m.

*First Sunday of the month children are offered Holy Communion in the main worship area and then return to their classrooms.*



## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

**An opportunity to help the women of East Africa:** I have a sewing project for the women of East Africa and it is very simple work. All you need is a zig-zag sewing machine and a few minutes here and there - it would be a great help to many. You do this at home - at any time - giving as much time as you wish or have to give. I will provide all the necessary material, patterns and instructions. - I just need help! Susanne Carey 248-987-6694.

**Two drivers are needed** for the February 16th **Focus Hope food delivery** to seniors in the Pontiac area. Please contact Bob Davis at 248-320-7147 or sign up after church in Mercer Hall.



**Crossroads:** February 17th is our next date for Crossroads Soup Kitchen! The only soup kitchen in Detroit open on Sunday, Crossroads serves a hot, nutritious lunch to the less fortunate each week. They do this through the generosity of houses of worship, civic organizations, and businesses that supply the ingredients and people each week. Each week, the God given gift of human compassion reaches out through their doors to touch hearts and souls of those in need and in so doing, gives us the opportunity to serve. There are two shifts of about 3 ½ hours each, the first preparing the food and the second serving it. No special skills are required, just a willingness to let God's love move through you. The first group will meet at 7:45am at the church on the 17th and caravan down to the Crossroads kitchen to start preparations. The second group will gather at Crossroads (2424 W Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48208) at 11:15am to begin serving lunch. **Please join us on February 17th in this celebration of service.**

**JOY (Just Older Youth)** will meet on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 11am in Fellowship Hall. Dorothy Moore will lead our devotions. Our program will be presented by Laura Olson on the PAWS program. We welcome any newcomers to join us for a time of reflection, fellowship, and food. Lunch will be served at noon. Call the church office or Mary Glenn for reservations. The group meets once a month on the second Wednesday. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Glenn (248) 380-9837.

## **Neighborhood House**

*An affiliate of the Farmington Area Goodfellows*

### *Annual Fund Raising Gala*

**April 18, 2019 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.**  
*program at 5:30 p.m.*

**Longacre House 24705 Farmington Rd Farmington Hills**

*Presenting the Annual*  
**Dick Tupper Community Service Award**

**Individual Sponsor Tickets - \$50 per person      Event Tickets - \$25 per person**  
*Additional donations gratefully accepted*

*Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar*

Tickets are available at the door through Farmington Public Schools Central Office

#### **YOUTH MINISTRIES AT NARDIN PARK:**

This past weekend, Jan 25 – 27, several of our youth went on a winter retreat. This year, we went to Frankenmuth, stayed at Zehnder's Splash Village and had a really good time. Rev. Lindsey Hall was our retreat leader for the weekend. It was a "Dare You To.." weekend. She dared us to **trust** God, to **talk** to God, and **live** for God. We enjoyed the Frankenmuth Winter Fest and the famous chicken dinner.

**Sunday, February 10th**, the Youth are collecting returnable bottle and cans to help raise funds for their summer mission trip and Youth 2019. Bring your bottles to the back parking lot of the church before or after worship, and we will have a truck to collect them in.

***Thank you for supporting our YOUTH!***

On behalf of the Staff-Parish Relations Committee, I'm pleased to announce that we have hired a new part-time clergy person who will be assisting us with the fulfillment of our VCI prescriptions.

One of our five prescriptions called for the creation of a clear road map for intentional faith development, guiding all persons, from new believers to fully-devoted followers of Christ. To that end, the Rev. Lynn Hasley is joining our staff as pastor of discipleship pathways, effective February 1.

Many of us already know Rev. Hasley, who has been an active part of our congregation for the last two and a half years. Lynn is a third-career pastor, having worked as a teacher and in health care administration before entering the ministry. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Math and English from Central Michigan University, and she holds three Master's degrees – one in Teaching from Oakland University, one in Health Services Administration from the University of Michigan, and one in Divinity from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.

She was commissioned in 2004, was ordained elder in 2008, and retired in 2016, having served four churches during the course of her appointive ministry. In retirement she continues to serve on the conference Board of Ordained Ministry, which is responsible for credentialing commissioned and ordained clergy.

Reverend Hasley brings to the table a very strong set of professional skills and spiritual gifts, and we on the committee believe she will be an excellent fit for the position. Here at Nardin Park we are very lucky to have five gifted clergy on staff. They are well-placed to lead us as we move into our future together.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andy Wayne, Chairman  
Staff-Parish Relations Committee



Please plan to attend the next **All Church Town Hall Meeting** on Sunday, February 10th, right after worship until 1:00 pm. Lunch and childcare will be provided.

# YOU'RE INVITED!

Greater Detroit District, UMC. Hope United Methodist Church (Southfield) is going to the Charles Wright Museum on February 18, 2019 in celebration of Black History Month and everyone is invited! Please go to [www.hopeumc.org](http://www.hopeumc.org) / Events / Wright Museum Trip to register on-line on Event Bright.



## CALLING ALL ADULTS, CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The Children's and Youth Ministries welcome you to join us on a trip to  
**The Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History**

**Date: Monday, February 18, 2019 (Presidents Day)**

**Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm**

There will be an informative guided tour of the museum, participate in fun-filled hands-on /make and take workshops and enjoy a delicious bagged lunch. Round trip bus transportation will be provided from Hope UMC to and from the museum.

*\*\*\*Please note: The bus will depart from Hope UMC at 9:30am and will return at 3:00pm. Parents can drop-off their children starting at 8:50am and pick at 3:00pm.*

**The cost for this total package is only \$15 per person!!!**

Register by **February 10, 2019** in the Welcome Center. Cash, checks and credit/debit card payments are accepted. You may also register online at:  
<https://hopemuseumtrip2019.eventbrite.com>

Permission slips are required for all children and youth at the time of registration and require medical information to be provided.

*\*\*\*Please note: A reservation must be made in advance, prior to the trip to assure that a lunch and a seat on the bus will be available for you.*

For more information, contact Evelyn Summerville at 248-262-5139 or [esummerville@hopeumc.org](mailto:esummerville@hopeumc.org)

**MARCH 22**

**7:30 PM**

All Ages

**TICKETS: \$25**

Farmington Players Barn Theatre  
32332 W. Twelve Mile Rd.

Order tickets online:  
<https://recreg.fhgov.com>  
(248) 473-1848

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Please contact Jeff Gardner at 248-238-5578 or the church office at 248-476-8860 to purchase tickets. Jeff is a member of Nardin Park and active in Church and Society. He is supporting this event through the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division.