

Marshall First UM Church Worship Service
 Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.
 Sundays on Facebook (Live at 9:00 a.m.)

The weekly service can be pulled up on Facebook
 any time at www.facebook.com/MarshallFUMC.

You can even go back to earlier services, if you
 happen to miss one.

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**“Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
 for the transformation of the world.”**

Prayer Concerns:

JoAnn Donehue
 Gail Glick

Diana Bailey
 Bishop Frank Beard

Tom Lisella
 D.S. Charliam Renner

Roger Sisson
 Eric Curry

Chase Brady [*Joyce Gwyn's great-grandson*]
 Journey Campton [*Friend of Adam & Tiffany Setzer*]
 Heather Welch [*Gene Bohn's granddaughter-in-law*]
 Peg Hintz [*Tom Hintz's mother*]
 Julie Krietemeier [*Beth Macke's sister*]
 Candy Painter [*Alane White, Cris Fitzjarrald, & Sally Mallory's sister*]
 Karen Beltz [*Nancy Claypool's sister*]
 Roger James [*John James' brother*]
 Shelly Hughes [*Barb DeMumbrum's sister*]
 Mike Morrison [*Peggy Morris' son—friend of Mary Ann Stepp*]
 Harrison Downey [*Kindergartener—brain surgery*]
 Angie Broncano [*Missionary in Laos*]
 Joe Ferris [*Friend of Jeff Mallory*]
 John McNary [*Ken & Nancy Claypool's brother-in-law*]
 Leslie May [*friend of Diana Bailey*]
 Robenson Agenord [*friend of Peggy Zoll*]
 Beverly Mahone [*Reid Zoll's cousin*]
 Karen Ellshoff [*friend of Kayte Macke*]
 Family of Barb DeMumbrum
 Unspoken Request
 All Long-term Healthcare Facilities in Clark County
 Natural Disaster Victims, Our Missionaries



Our Military Personnel:

Chris Bradford	John Flowers	Daniel Gard	Jake Hoalt	Michael Holmes
Peyton Allen	John Kuhn	Lewis & Shelby Sanborn	Chaplain Jonathon Maloney	

Our Nation, Our Nation's Leaders, and Armed Forces

Our Homebound & Health Care Facility Residents

Violet Cook	JoAnn Donehue	Polly Logan	Ken Jensen	Mary E. Koutsoumpas
Evelyn Anderson	Carole Arney	Phyllis Boatright	Ray King	Fremont Schoeck
Mitch Wineland				

Please help keep the prayer list up-to-date! Names will be removed at the first of each month unless someone calls or writes the church office with an update. Please contact the church office at 826-8041 if you are aware of any changes.



THE MESSENGER

April 2022

702 Plum St., Marshall, IL 62441

Find us on the web at <https://marshallfumc.org>

Pastor's Message

For several weeks now, war has been raging in Ukraine. We have heard too many stories of death and destruction, too many cries of children displaced from their homes, and too many threats of greater violence. Our hearts ache over the darkness that has taken hold of this nation and its people. We also carry some anxiety as to where this war will lead. Worry about the possibilities of war extending into western Europe and even beyond lay just below the surface of our mostly peaceful everyday lives. How can we respond to such worries, threats, and unwanted possibilities? First and foremost, pray. Pray for war to cease. Pray for Putin to withdraw his troops from Ukraine and seek a peaceable way forward. We can also send financial support through UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) or some other trustworthy agency. In time, there may be Ukrainian refugees that are settled in our region that we could help in some way. As we continue to journey toward Easter, let us hold to our hope in Jesus Christ who overcame death and the grave.

On behalf of the church family, I welcome Pat Kyle as the newest member of our church staff. The SPRC recently announced that it has hired Pat as the new Administrative Assistant & Financial Secretary. Pat was born and raised in the Paris area, and graduated high school from Shiloh High School in 1972. She is the 3rd child of Jim & Joan Trine. Her first job was cutting corn out of the beans for her dad, which she started at about 3 or 4 years old. They thought they were rich when he paid them \$.01 a minute, (until they got older). Pat has 1 sister, Sandy, who lives outside of Casey, and 1 brother, Dale, who lives around Paris. Her brother has never married. Her sister married Allen Stickler, from Paris. They have 2 children, 1 grandchild & 2 great grandchildren. Pat married Jim Kyle in 1996, who was born & raised in Albuquerque, New Mexico. His parents were from Marshall & Terre Haute, IN. They met at Casey Tool and Machine in Casey after they had both transferred to the Casey area. Pat and Jim now live north of Martinsville. She worked at Paris Beacon News, Casey Tool & Machine which became CTM, B&B Propane & prior coming to First Methodist, she worked at Casey First Baptist. Pat says, "Fortunately, my pay has increased since those early years." She was raised in the Nazarene Church, became a Baptist when she and Jim were married & he became youth minister at Macedonia Baptist Church. We are grateful to have Pat join our staff and look forward to sharing in ministry and getting to know her better. Pat, welcome to Marshall First United Methodist Church!

Easter is April 17. We are preparing several special services and events leading up to and celebrating to that glorious morning. You can find a schedule inserted in this edition of the Messenger. Please join us for these services and events. Be sure to bring someone with you. Happy Easter!

With You on the Journey

Pastor Bob

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The first two Sundays of April our worship will continue to focus on Robert Schnase's Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation. Our April 17th worship will celebrate Easter. Then on April 24, we will begin a new worship series Standing on the Promises of God. Each week we will look at one of eight different promises that God has given to us. This series will take us through June 19. Gather with God's people each week to worship, be blessed and grow as Christ's disciple. Each week's foundational Scripture and theme is listed below.

April 3 (Communion Sunday)
 Foundational Scripture: Luke 10:25-29
 Theme: Risk-Taking Mission and Service

April 17 (Easter Sunday)
 Foundational Scripture: Mark 16:1-8
 Theme: Early in the Morning

April 10 (Palm Sunday)
 Foundational Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:9,10
 Theme: Extravagant Generosity

April 24
 Foundational Scripture: John 3:16-21
 Theme: Promise of Eternal Life



We received a thank you letter from Lessie Bates Neighborhood House in East St. Louis for our contribution of \$1,000 for their ministry last year. In their yearend report for 2021, the agency stated that it had served over 800 program participants of all ages each week. They provided remote and in person early childhood education and parenting activities as well as virtual and interaction activities for children and teens ages 7 to 17. The agency has served hundreds of meals for seniors and secured jobs for youth and individuals in the community. It is the only faith based social service agency operating in that area and many depend on it for their daily needs.

Lessie Bates is a Methodist founded and supported agency that also receives funding from state and federal governments for many social programs. Our giving provides additional support as well as allowing for faith based activities for all ages. If you wish to provide additional support you can through the church mission program.

UMCOR and Midwest Mission are now sending tornado and flood relief to needed places in Illinois and southern states. You can participate in this mission through giving to either one of these agencies. Remember, 100% of your giving goes to direct relief, not to administration. Make checks out to FUMC with your designation. You can always give to help resettlement for Ukraine citizens through UMCOR also.

Children's Church - 9:00 a.m. on Sundays
 UMYF - 4:00 p.m. on Sundays



"In March, the UMYF students spent one Sunday afternoon cleaning up trash and leaves from the high school track."



Mark Your Calendars:
2022 VBS dates
June 20-24

Ready to cook up some fun? Cokesbury's Food Truck Party VBS invites children of all ages to get on a roll with God as a parade of Food Trucks rolls into their neighborhood for the summer's biggest party!

This VBS invites children to pray as Jesus teaches us in Matthew 6:11; "Give us this day our daily bread." These words serve as a reminder that everything we have comes from God — and that it's by turning to God in prayer that all of our daily needs are met.

At the center of the Food Truck Party is a special food truck called "On a Roll". Here, Kids (or "Chefs") will learn from the food truck's Top Chef, along with DJ Cupcake (an adorable cupcake puppet), about the Daily Specials (Daily Learnings), which are lines from the well-loved prayer that teaches us to turn to God to meet our needs.



May 1 (Communion Sunday)
 May 8 Mother's Day
 May 29 Memorial Day Weekend



2022 Flower Chart: Don't forget to sign up to provide altar flowers on that special Sunday. The 2022 Flower Chart is located outside the office next to the door. Please call or stop in the office to make sure that your date is reserved on the new calendar.

Sowing Seeds of God's Kindness

On May 21, we will be moving into the community to sew seeds of God's kindness through simple acts of love. Some of the events we are considering are giving out free bottles of water at Walmart, giving baked goods to those who serve our community as first responders, paying for laundry to be done at the local laundromat, going to neighborhood parks in the community to pass out items to children and parents. Each simple act will provide us opportunity to engage individuals in the community in a kind way to share the love of Christ. More information will be available. This is an event for all ages. Families are encouraged to participate together.

Discipleship Path Plan Team Continues Important Work

The team has begun the next phase of its work. It is beginning to bring together the various pieces of the plan into written form. The team is hopeful to have the plan ready to present to the Church Council at either its April or May meeting.

Everyone is encouraged to pray for the team and their work. Also pray that God will open each of our hearts and minds to all that God would have for us. Where might God be calling us? What is God's preferred future for our church?

Easter Egg Hunt

We are having an Easter egg hunt on Thursday, April 14th, at 5:30 pm for Children 0 through 5th grade. Grab your Easter egg baskets, and come join the fun! After the Easter egg hunt your family is invited to stick around for the Agape Meal, potluck and the Last Supper.

If you are interested in serving on Sundays as a volunteer, please see those listed below to sign up:

- Ken Claypool for ushers
- Mary Ann Stepp for greeters
- Danielle Cline for acolytes
- Jenna Morey for nursery.

This Month's Sunday Volunteers

Sound System:	?
Greeters:	All Month - Louis Goekler Paul & Amy Cannady
Ushers:	All Month - Searoba Mascher Steve & Angie Setzer
Acolytes:	4/3 - Lexi Mason & Liberty Cline 4/10 - Emmett Maurer & August Schneider 4/17 - Crumrin Children 4/24 - Dylan Daugherty & Chase Paulsen
Nursery:	4/3- Danielle Cline & Michelle Graham 4/10 - Jamie Schneider & Lesa Trudeau 4/17 - Dustin Morey & Jenna Morey 4/24 - Brooke Bullock & Laura Irwin



Please join United Women in Faith (UMW) on April 20 at Neoga Grace for the Spring Meeting. The program is all you ever wanted to know about Cunningham Children's Home. Cunningham is requesting S-XL boys T-Shirts, Boy's ankle socks -all sizes-pump hand soap and Amazon and Wal-mart gift cards. Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House is requesting bar soap, bath towels, hand or body lotion. There will be a bin in the

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Monday, April 18, 6:30pm
Susannah Wesley
- Thursday, April 21 9:00 am
Faith Circle
- Tuesday, April 26, 4:00 pm
UMW Board Meeting
- Thursday, April 28, 6:00 pm
Sisters In Faith

Sisters in Faith Bake Sale
Sunday, April 10th, after church

News Flash:

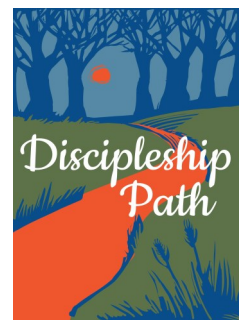
The Church is planning on having the sanctuary painted sometime after Easter. This will affect our worship for 2-3 weeks. Worship will be held either in the chapel or fellowship hall. We will let you know more details when we get closer to the time!

New Sunday School Class

Finding Peace in Difficult Times



Finding Peace in Difficult Times is a new Sunday School class that is open to anyone who has or has had difficulty navigating the ever-changing world we live in. It will be a safe, confidential forum to receive encouragement and support for those who suffer from anxiety, fear, loneliness, sadness, etc. It is intended to be Christ-centered. It will initially be held during Sunday School, with an option of meeting other times or places as desired. The class will be facilitated by Laura Irwin. It will begin April 3 and meet in the choir room. For more information, please contact Laura through the church office.



Thank you to everyone who took part in our Discipleship Path informational meeting. We trust that the time was beneficial. We will continue to communicate our work to the church. Please look for more information in each addition of the Messenger including this one. **Please continue to pray for the team**, that God will guide us as we seek helpful ways to fulfill our church's mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ.



DON'T FORGET

If you have any changes in your address, telephone number, email, etc., don't forget to let the church office know.
Also, if you have a child that has moved out on his or her own, please don't forget to inform the office of the change. This way we can send any correspondence directly to him or her.

Happy Birthday

- 01 Molly Farrell
- 02 Jackson Green
- 04 Jennifer Bishop
- 04 Greg Fairchild
- 06 Makayla Cline
- 06 Luke Cook
- 08 Patty Macke
- 08 Breanna Wilson
- 09 Kobe Brannan
- 09 Margaret Hintz
- 09 Libby Huisinga
- 10 Troy Sanzenbacher

- 11 Lucy Cline
- 14 Carole Arney
- 14 Dana Ramsey
- 15 Parker Morey
- 16 Bella Fattal
- 17 Julia Cannady
- 17 Dustin Trudeau
- 18 Melissa Wernz
- 19 Lisa Davidson
- 19 Guy Selleck
- 20 John Macke
- 22 Cole Boatright

- 22 Matthew Brown
- 22 Leighanne Hildebrand
- 24 Ann Calvert
- 24 Ethan Claypool
- 24 Tawnya Fairchild
- 27 Jason Macke
- 28 Gordon Clark
- 28 Allen Goekler
- 28 Linda James
- 29 Adrienne Hutson
- 29 Anna Southworth



- 06 Steve & Carole Arney
- 10 Barney & Ann Calvert
- 11 Jim & Alane White
- 13 Ethan & Aubrey Claypool
- 15 Dennis & Debbie Miller
- 17 Dave & Sharon Miller
- 28 Glenn & Maria Buskirk

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship applications are now available and are located on the Welcome Center in the foyer. The deadline for the application is Thursday, April 28th, 2021. Scholarships can be received for 2 years. Please turn in completed forms to the church office. If you have any questions contact James Southworth.

CELEBRATE



DO YOU KNOW A GRADUATE?

Please call the church office with the names and information of any college and high school graduates from our church. We would like to recognize them



First Tuesday of each month - 9 am, The Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets for breakfast at The Marshall Family Restaurant. Everyone is welcome to join us!


Second Tuesday of each month - 9:30 am, The Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets at The Villas of Holly Brook for coffee and fellowship with the residents of Holly Brook.

Third thru Fifth Tuesdays - 9 am, The Holy Grounds Coffee Group will meet in the chapel for coffee and refreshments.

Mondays of each month - 1 pm, Game Time in the chapel.



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