

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/MarshallILFUMC.

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

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"Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

Prayer Concerns:

Reid & Peggy Zoll Eric Curry

Lisa Bubeck Ashkin Pastor Tim Duke & Family

Diana Bailey

Tom Lisella Vicki Remlinger

Gail Glick Tiffany Macke

Bishop Frank Beard D.S. Charliam Renner Chase Brady [Joyce Gwyn's great-grandson] Peg Hintz [Tom Hintz's mother] Julie Krietemeier [Beth Macke's sister] Harrison Downey Angle Broncano [Missionary in Laos] Unspoken Request All Long-term Healthcare Facilities in Clark County Natural Disaster Victims, Our Missionaries



Our Military Personnel:

Chris Bradford Peyton Allen

John Flowers John Kuhn

Daniel Gard Lewis & Shelby Sanborn

Jake Hoalt

Michael Holmes **Chaplain Jonathon Maloney**

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

Our Homebound & Health Care Facility Residents

Violet Cook Mary E. Koutsoumpas

JoAnn Donehue Phyllis Boatright

Polly Logan Ray King

Ken Jensen Fremont Schoeck

Mitch Wineland Ron Hicks

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.



Foundational Scripture: Mark 4:13-20

Theme: A Story of the Soils

April 9 (Easter Sunday)



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

Pastor's Note:

The first line of the hymn "Christ is Risen" says "Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days. Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed. In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown. Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown! In just a few days Christians around the world will gather to celebrate and bear witness to

Christ's resurrection. Our world needs to hear our celebration and to see our witness. Please join us for the upcoming Holy Week services and join us Easter morning to let the world know, Christ is risen! You can find our schedule for Holy Week and Easter on page 2 of this edition of the Messenger.

We will be celebrating several baptisms on Sunday, April 16. If you have a child whom you would like baptized or if you want to be baptized, please let me know. We can schedule a Sunday for this special event. Also, if you would like to join the church, please let me know.

We will be focusing on prayer during the month of May. We will be using the book Dynamite Prayer: A 28 Day Experiment as a prayer guide and our worship theme will be around prayer. You are asked to begin your 28-day prayer experiment the week of May 1. I plan to begin mine on May 1. We will be participating in a prayer walk April 24. This walk will focus on first responders and those who serve in our local government offices. We will meet at the church at 5:30 p.m. We will also hold two separate hours of prayer in May. More information will be given in the May edition of the Messenger about these opportunities to pray.

I want to thank Barb Sabo for coordinating the building of our tabernacle that was used in our recent worship series. I also appreciate those who assisted her.

Last month I asked for your prayers regarding finding a new home. Thank you for praying. We have found one. It is about 3 miles outside Moscow Mills, Missouri.

Happy Easter to you and all those dear to you. Christ is risen!

With You on the Journey,

Pastor Bal

Pastor Bob



Join us to worship the one who has overcome death and the grave. Let your light shine for Jesus!

April 2 Palm Sunday (Communion Sunday) April 23

Foundational Scripture: Ex. 26:31-35; Heb. 9;

Foundational Scripture: 1Corinthians 15:12-23

Matt. 27:45-56

Theme: Our God Who Welcomes Us

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April 30

Foundational Scripture: Genesis 12:1-3

Theme: Charting a Course for the Future Pt. 2

April 16

Theme: Our God Who Overcomes

Schedule for Palm Sunday Through Sunday, April 16

You are invited to join us for the following special worship, witness, and fellowship opportunities. Invite someone to join you. Everyone is welcome.

Holy Week (Monday - Friday)

Each day from noon – 1:00 p.m. and 4:30-5:30 p.m. the church will be open to come and walk through the representation of the Tabernacle and spend time in prayer. Resources will be available to help guide those who would find it helpful.

Palm Sunday Worship (April 2)

- Waving of the palm branches
- Children singing
- Choir singing
- Communion served
- Darkening of the sanctuary



Good Friday

- Carrying of the Cross
- Meet a little before noon at the courthouse
- Time of singing, Scripture reading, and carrying the cross
- Dress according to the weather
- Our walk will end up near the Dairy Queen





Maundy Thursday

- 5:15 p.m. Easter egg hunt
- 6:00 p.m. Shared love feast with worship in the fellowship hall. Each person is asked to bring a dish to share
- Communion to be served



Easter Sunday Worship (April 9)

- Join us as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection
- Choir Singing

Sunday, April 16

- We will be celebrating several baptisms in worship
- Story sermon: The Parable of the Soils

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

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

KFC 3:00 p.m. **Our Monthly KFC Family** Dinner Is April 19.



Children & Youth Ministry



United Women in Faith News

The United Women in Faith church yard sale will be held from 8:00-12:00 in the church basement on April 22, 2023. Clean, gently used items, books, and children's clothing may be brought to the church starting the morning of April 20.

United Women in Faith Spring meeting is April 18 at Newton. Love gifts for Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House are boy's and girl's T-shirts and men's underwear. Love gifts for Cunningham Children's Home are men's body wash, small and medium men's t-shirts, and men's stick deodorant and lotion. Especially needed are Epsom salts and athlete foot spray for the Caminos program. These are unaccompanied minors who stay at Cunningham until they reach their final destination. They have walked the equivalent of Chicago to Los Angeles and back to Denver. As they walk through rivers and rain they have no shoes to change into which is hard on their feet. Pastor Zoila Marti from Trinity will be the speaker and there will be a craft in the afternoon. Let's fill the church van.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Tuesday, April 11, 4:00 p.m. UWF Board Meeting, Chapel Thursday, April 13. 7:00 p.m. Esther Circle, Danielle Cline's Monday, April 17, 6:30, Susannah Wesley @ Barb Manhart's Tuesday, April 18, 9:00 a.m. UMF Spring Meeting/Newton Grace UMC Thursday, April 20, 9:00 a.m. Faith Circle Chapel Thursday, April 20, 6:00 p.m. Sisters in Faith, Family Restaurant Saturday, April 22, 8:00 am -12 pm Yard Sale Sat., Apr. 29, Sisters in Faith Retreat

Mother/Daughter/Friend Dinner— Saturday, May 13, 5:30 p.m.

Caterer—Taste of Country Menu—Swiss steak, grilled chicken, 2 veg., salad, bread & cobblers Program—"Picture Perfect" Cost—\$12. for adults, \$6 for children under 8 (sign

up at church on Sun. or in the office thru the week.)

UWF Prayer Focus: Each month we are asking all circle members and members of the church to include a certain group or individual to be added to your prayer list for the month. Our April Prayer Focus is Connie Wieck, Pastor Bob and Barb. They have many changes happening in their lives over the next couple of months. Please pray for them.

Clarification about Connie Wieck's Newsletter Mailings

In the February newsletter, I mentioned sending out over 1,000 hard copies of my newsletter. I also thanked Marshall First for "assisting in all my newsletter needs." Let me clarify this.

Marshall First does not pay for my newsletter. Global Ministries allots \$400 a year for missionaries to send newsletters. Our church, with the gracious time and energy of others, helps in putting my newsletter together. Receipts are saved, ink use calculated, postage tabulated and the total usually comes close to \$400.

The IGRC office in Springfield holds all my newsletter funds from Global Ministries, with donations also being accepted from others to cover a second newsletter cost per year. (Global Ministries only allots \$400 per year per missionary for a newsletter, thus I ask for donations to cover a second mailing.)

Whoever is the Marshall First administrative assistant, currently Pat, tallies the full cost of my newsletter and sends this in to IGRC for full reimbursement. The check is then written to First UMC, taken from Connie Wieck's Newsletter Fund.

At present, I have a little over \$1,000 in my Connie Wieck Newsletter fund, held at the IGRC office. In other words, plenty to continue onward.



06 Makayla Cline 08 Patty Macke

01 Molly Farrell

02 Jackson Green

04 Jennifer Bishop

09 Kobe Brannan

09 Margaret Hintz 09 Libby Huisinga

10 Troy Sanzenbacker

11 Lucy Cline

12 Darrell Kirby

14 Dana Ramsey 15 Parker Morey

16 Julia Cannady

15 Dennis & Debbie Miller

17 Dustin Trudeau 22 Cole Boatright

18 Melissa Wernz

19 Lisa Davidson

19 Guy Selleck

20 John Macke

22 Matthew Brown

22 Leighanne Hildebrand 24 Ethan Claypool

27 Jason Macke 28 Gordon Clark

28 Allen Goekler

29 Anna Southworth

28 Linda James 10 Barney & Ann Calvert 11 Jim & Alane White 29 Adrienne Hutson 13 Ethan & Aubrey Claypool

Mission Update: There is no designated mission focus for April. However, UMCOR is always in need of funds to help with disaster relief and other aid projects. Also, the Midwest Mission Center is preparing another shipment to Ukraine and also equipping flood buckets to be sent to countries in flood areas to help in clean up efforts. Your monetary contributions help the agency purchase the needed supplies.

Please remember the Faith Promise Fund that helps those in need locally.

If there is another need you are aware of, let the office know and we will try to address it.

Together, we can bear witness to our faith by our care for others.

Come to a "Wonder-Full World" Women's Retreat!

Sisters in Faith Circle invites all FUMC women to a Women's Retreat on Saturday, April 29th, from 9:00 AM to



3:00 PM at Buck Valley Wildlife Preserve (Jack and Nancy Crumrin's cabins). At this "Wonder-Full World" retreat you will experience meaningful Bible studies, explore the wonders of a woman's heart, and have some fun while on a whirlwind tour of the continents! Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be included. Please register by April 16th at the Welcome Center after worship or by contacting Dianne Rardin, Nancy Claypool, or Alta Youngdahl. Please pay \$20 registration fee when you register. Seating is limited, so please register early!

THANK YOU to Steve & Angie Setzer, and Paul Cannady for helping build the representation of the Tabernacle and the Ark of the Covenant that were used in the Walk Through the Tabernacle worship series.

Barb Sabo

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

Charlie Moore for ushers Mary Ann Stepp for greeters Danielle Cline for acolytes Jody Green for nursery.

Our thanks to all of our volunteers for serving in these ministries.



This Month's Sunday Volunteers

Sound System: ?

Greeters: 4/2—Patty Macke, Mary Ann Stepp

4/9,16,23,30—Cris Fitzjarrald with Hank, Bill and Ava

All Month - Anne & Tom Hintz **Ushers:**

Shannon Snedeker

4/2— Emmett Maurer, Colby Bullock **Acolytes:**

4/9— Sadie Claypool, Parker Morey 4/16—Liberty Cline, Breck Bishop 4/23—Lexi Mason, Libby Huisinga 4/30—Mia Moore, Brynna Farrell

Nursery:

4/2— Adrienne & Evangeline Hutson 4/9 — Erica & Caroline Crumrin

4/16 -- Jody Green, Charlene Moore 4/23—Amy Cannady, Nancy Crumrin

4/30—Mary Ann Stepp, Sue Boyer

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 Tuesdays - 9 am, The Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets at Gypsy Queen Fourth Tuesday- April 25th, Holy Grounds Coffee will meet at Family Restaurant for lunch at 11:30 a.m.







April 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Worship Time:	9:00am Morning Worship 10:15am Sunday School		LET US BE GLAD			1
2 Communion Sunday Palm Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. UMYF Jr. 5:15 p.m. UMYF	12:00-1:00 and 4:30-5:30 p.m. Church will be open to come & walk	9:00 a.m. Holy Grounds Breakfast at Marshall Family Restaurant 6:00 p.m. Building Committee 6:15 p.m. Community Prayer @ Courthouse. 12:00-1:00 and 4:30-5:30 p.m. Church will be open to come & walk	5 11:00 a.m. Power Lunch Early School Dismissal 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 12:00 –1:00 and 4:30-5:30 p.m. Church will be open to come & walk thru the Tabernacle.	6 Maundy Thursday 5:15 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt 6:00 p.m. Potluck Supper and Worship Spring break through April 10th 12:00 -1:00 and 4:30-5:30 p.m. Church will be open to come & walk thru the Tabernacle.	7 Good Friday 8:30 a.m. Exercise 12:00 p.m. Good Friday/Carrying of the Cross starting at the Courthouse. 12:00 -1:00 and 4:30-5:30 p.m. Church will be open to come & walk thru the Tabernacle.	8
9 Easter Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School	thru the Tabernacle. 10 Office Closed for Easter 8:30 a.m. Exercise 9:00 a.m. Yoga	thru the Tabernacle. 11 9:30 a.m. Holy Grounds Coffee Group at The Villas of Holly Brook 4:00 p.m. UWF Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. SPRC	12 11:00 a.m. Power Lunch No KFC	13 5:00 p.m. Service League, Chapel 7:00 p.m. Esther Circle	### ### ##############################	15 SOME SANGSTER ME. SANGSTER
7:00 a.m. UMM Co-Op Breakfast 9:00 am Worship Service/Baptisms 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. UMYF Jr. 5:15 p.m. UMYF	8:30 a.m. Exercise 9:00 a.m. Yoga 6:30 p.m. Susannah Wesley	9:00 a.m. Holy Grounds Coffee Group at Gypsy Queen 9:00 a.m. UWF Annual Meeting/ Newton Grace UMC 6:00 p.m. Trustees	19 11:00 a.m. Power Lunch 2:00-7:00 p.m. Blood mobile 3:00 p.m. KFC 5:00 p.m. KFC Dinner	20 9:00 a.m. Faith Circle 6:00 p.m. Sisters in Faith	21 8:30 a.m. Exercise	22 Earth Day 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. UWF Yard Sale
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