



First United Methodist Church Champaign

Where connecting, growing, and serving are a way of life



The Mission of First United Methodist Church is to:

- **CONNECT** people with God and one another
- **GROW** as disciples of Jesus Christ
- **SERVE** others.

Messenger

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FOOTSTEPS IN FAITH

There is much packed in the scriptural accounts of the events of Holy Week. Beginning with Palm Sunday, it is one of only a handful of events that is recorded in all four Gospels. I would encourage you to gather four different Bibles, each opened to one of the four Gospels telling the events of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Compare and contrast the details of each account. What is emphasized in this Gospel? In the other Gospels? The story is heavy with symbols. The palm branches being waved during Jesus' ride into Jerusalem were not just lovely, but the palm branches were symbols of the peoples' identity as the chosen people of God --- and an affront to the Roman authorities and Roman citizens of the empire. The place of entry into the walled city was the East Gate (or Golden Gate), the place where the Messiah would enter, not the place used for everyday activities. So the entry site was a loud proclamation of who Jesus is!

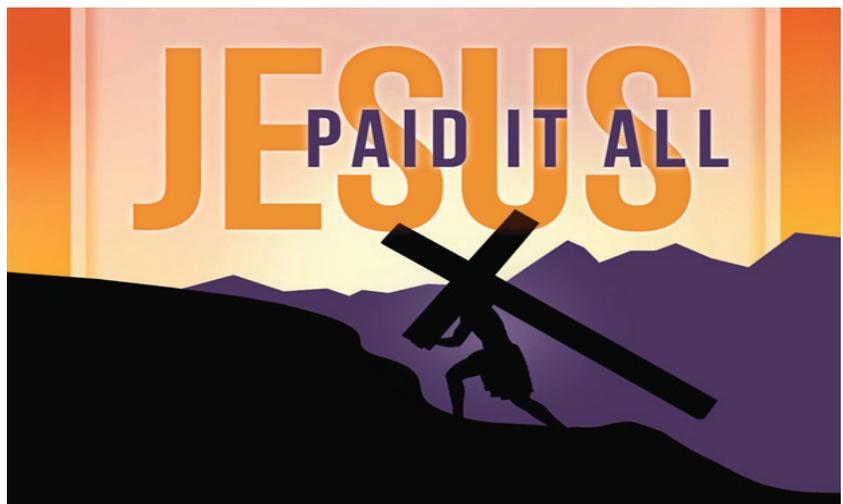
As the Holy Week events unfold, Maundy Thursday recalls the Last Supper of Jesus with his disciples. Most would have gathered for that Passover Feast the next evening, but with our 20/20 hindsight, Jesus' earthly life would have ended if he had waited. The ancient worship in a family meal setting defines the disciples as his family and the fulfillment of the ancient prophecy that Elijah would come again --- as Jesus identifies the broken bread and shared cup as His Body and His Blood at the Passover Meal.

The prayer at Gethsemane and Jesus' betrayal and arrest happen in quick order, the imprisonment at the High Priest's House and the denial of Peter three times happens before the cross-bearing walk to Calvary and the crucifixion. Good Friday worship embodies that Passion (suffering) narrative concluding with the death of Jesus at 3 o'clock. Worship concludes in silence --- no benediction, no fellowship, as worshipers honor the grief that the witnesses to the crucifixion must have experienced.

Finally, the Easter celebration breaks forth with shouts of joy that "He is risen!" The promises that God made are true! Yes, the week that began in shouts of alleluia, quieted to table fellowship followed by betrayal and death, ends with joy! That is why one cannot fully experience the Holy Week with just Sunday worship. So I invite you and your loved ones to join your FUMC family in all of the Holy Week experiences, so that you can fully embrace a joy-filled Easter!

Blessings,

Pastor Leah Pogemiller



Holy Week



**Palm Sunday Worship and
Palm Processional:
April 14 at both
9:00 and 11:00 worship services**

**Maundy Thursday Worship:
April 18 - 7:00 pm**

**Good Friday Worship:
April 19 - 7:00 pm
at First Presbyterian Church of
Champaign (across the street)**

**Easter Celebration
Sunday, April 21
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

Festival of Quilts

Cunningham Children's Home will host the 15th Annual Festival of Quilts, April 5-6, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Cunningham's Spiritual Life Center in Urbana.

Cunningham's signature fundraiser, the Festival honors the tradition of the United Methodist Women, and the quilts they have created and donated for more than 124 years for our kids. Each child at Cunningham receives a quilt of their own to wrap them in warmth, safety, and love.

Last year, the Festival attracted more than 1,400 visitors and raised more than \$73,000 to help bring hope to hundreds of youth and families.

Admission to the Festival is a suggested donation of \$5 per person and all proceeds will benefit children and youth served by Cunningham.



Lenten Love Bank Reminder

The Lenten Love Banks may be returned on Sunday, April 14, during our Palm Sunday worship services. We ask that you return the reusable banks even if they are empty.

National/Global Missions

Palm Sunday Processional on April 14

Children and Youth of all ages (yes, this includes the young-at-heart!), please join together at 8:50 a.m. for Perceptions Worship or 10:50 a.m. for Classic Worship in the Narthex (the hallway to the south of the sanctuary). We'll walk into the sanctuary together at the beginning of each worship service with our palms!



FUMC Needs Candy

We need candy for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! Please bring bags of individually wrapped Easter candy to the church by Sunday, April 14, if you would like to donate. Thank you!



Saturday, April 20, 10:00 a.m. - noon - Easter Egg Hunt Preparations -- Volunteers needed to fill Easter Eggs and decorate Fellowship Hall Rooms D, C, B, and A.



Sunday, April 21, 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt in Fellowship Hall Rooms D, C, B, A -- Children and Youth of all ages are welcome to attend the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Sunday School Classes meet in Fellowship Hall unless your class has other plans.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 18, is our Maundy Thursday worship beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The service will include candlelight, communion, scripture, and music. Come and join as we remember Jesus' words to his disciples.

Easter Celebration

Celebration of Easter is on Sunday, April 21. The 9:00 worship service will feature the Perceptions Praise Team. The 11:00 worship service will include a brass ensemble, Chancel Ringers, and Chancel Choir. Come to join in the worship celebration of life!



Jazz Sunday

On April 28 the celebration of Easter joy continues with our tradition of celebrating with Jazz! Join Carlyle Johnson and the New Orleans Jazz Machine for inspiring music at both the 9:00 and 11:00 services. All are welcome to join in the celebration!

Angel Choir presents: *All God's Creatures Got a Place (A Praise Zoo)*

Come to Friendship Center on Sunday, April 28, at 10:10 a.m. to witness a special event. Angel Choir will be presenting *All God's Creatures Got a Place*. You will visit Noah's Praise Zoo, see Noah's Ark, a Talking Donkey, and Jonah's Aquarium. Angel Choir has spent the semester learning about animals in the Bible and they are excited to be able to share their voices, creativity, and excitement with you. Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to see how ALL of God's children have a place in the choir!

Music Opportunities - Save these dates!

- Saturday, April 6**, at 5:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall of Smith Memorial Hall Mezzo-soprano Cassandra Petrie's graduate recital
- Saturday, April 13**, at 3:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall of Smith Memorial Hall Baritone Kevin Lucas' graduate recital
- Sunday, May 5**, at both the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services Major Music Sunday: Chancel Choir, Chancel Ringers, and Instrumentalists lead worship
- Saturday, May 18**, at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary Choral Union presents a Spring Concert

Pray First!

A time of quiet prayer and reflection

Wednesdays during Lent
March 13 – April 10

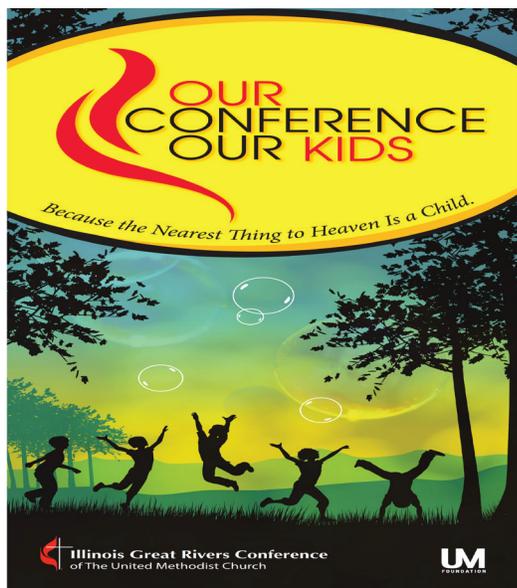
6:00 – 6:30pm
In the FUMC chapel

UMCOR Tornado & Flood Response

On March 3 at least 20 tornadoes tore a path through our Southeastern states. Flood waters are threatening our Midwestern states. If you wish to help out by donating to United Methodist Committee on Relief, please write a check to FUMC with "Advance No. 901670" indicated on the memo line.



Bishop's Open Golf Outing April 26



The Bishop's Open will be Friday, April 26, at Piper Glen in Chatham. Online registration is open at: www.igrc.org/bishopsopen2019. All proceeds will go toward the Our Conference, Our Kids campaign. Questions, call Roger Shanks at 540-553-1630.

Singers Welcome!

Chancel Choir is beginning preparations for Major Music Sunday on May 5. Singers are always welcome! Even if you cannot make a long term commitment to Chancel Choir, you are welcome to join in preparing this special Sunday. Rehearsals are from 7:00-8:15 p.m. on Wednesday nights in the Adult Choir Room. Contact Barbara Zachow for more information (bzachow@comcast.net). Hope to see you singing soon.

SPRING BAKE SALE!

Presented by United Methodist Women,
with a little help from our friends!*

PALM SUNDAY

April 14, 2019



Friendship Center

8:30 am - 12:30 pm

*Please sign up on March 31 or April 7 to let us
know what you plan to bring!

We really appreciate our FUMC Bakers!

All proceeds support UMW Mission Projects



United
Methodist
Women

UMW Executive Board will meet on Wednesday, April 3, at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Dorcas Women will meet on Wednesday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m. in Friendship Center North. Hostesses will be Barbara Mitchell and Linda Boehm.

Sarah Women will meet on Monday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m. at Trudy Walters' home. Sue Bachman will lead the program.

Stock the Food Pantry Early & Often



**Restock the
SHELVES**

First United Methodist Church members are encouraged to bring non-perishable items to the church on the first Sunday of each month to stock our food pantry. These items are used by the volunteers to provide food for the families in need. **There's a desperate need for more volunteers. Please call Sue Bachman at 359-4390 for more information.**

Especially needed are: ketchup, mustard, Hamburger Helper, mixed fruit, sugar, flour, jelly, pork & beans, diced tomatoes, and oatmeal (not individual packets). Of course, monetary donations are always appreciated.

“God sees your unrealized potential. He sees not only who you are but also who you can be. Ask him to share that vision with you.”

MATTHEW KELLY
Rediscover Lent

To Our Guests and Visitors . . .



Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Champaign. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us, and we invite you to visit the Hospitality desk in the Friendship Center, adjacent to the Sanctuary. Or you can visit us on our website, www.champaignfumc.org, to learn more about the many opportunities for worship, study, fellowship, and service available through the ministries of our congregation.

How do I become a member...?

If you are considering membership in the congregation of First United Methodist Church, you are invited to attend an orientation group: “Connecting@First.” This is an opportunity to learn more about the ministries of the Church.

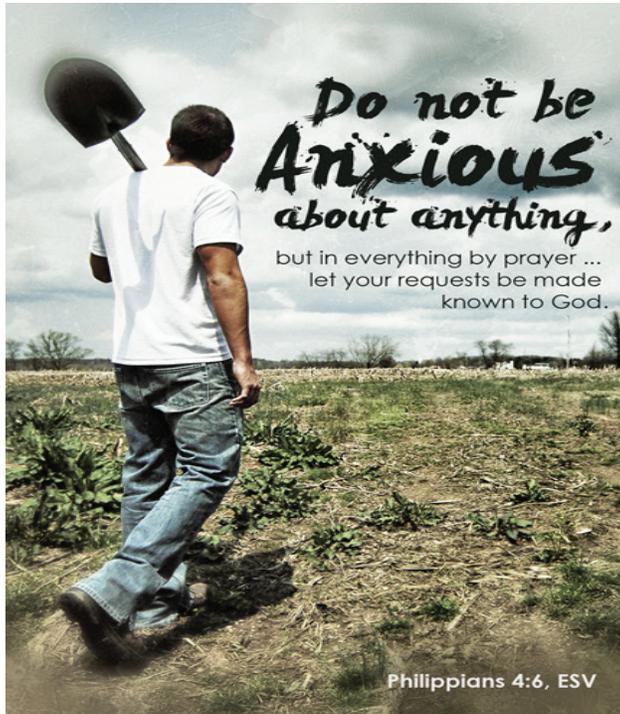
If you would like to register for the next group, please contact Sharon Johnson, Administrative Assistant to the Directing Pastor, sjohnson@champaignfumc.org, or 356-9078.

Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Screenings



On April 28, Diane Fish will conduct a blood pressure screening for interested congregation members. The blood pressure screening will be held during the Coffee Connections in between Sunday services. To allow for privacy, the screening will take place in the Library. Blood pressure screenings will occur regularly, usually on the fourth Sunday of each month. Please contact Diane at the church (ask to leave a message for the Parish Nurse) if you have any questions about the screening.

Youth News



Recently, I've become very distressed at not knowing where the future takes me. Typically, this isn't something I ever worry about, but in the last few weeks, it's been consuming my thoughts--to the point where I feel anxious and depressed. I like to think I'm pretty happy-go-lucky, but that hasn't been me at all.

A day ago I was pretty distressed about it and I called my mom. She began reassuring me that God has a plan, even when we do not see it. A few years ago, my brother was in a bad job and he was struggling to figure out why God put him there. That's when my mom pointed out that God was working in the background; my brother working that job may have caused a ripple effect in other areas that helped fulfill God's plan.

I had been teaching Confirmation that same afternoon, and in the video clip we were watching it had the following line in it: "God is always with us, even if we don't feel like it." When I am struggling to understand why things happen or where to go next, I can find peace that God is always there, working in the background.

Meredith

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Coming Events:

Sunday, April 21 - No Youth Group due to Easter

Wednesday, May 1 - ASP Full Payment Due

Sunday, May 5 - Last Youth Group of the School Year

Sunday, June 2 - Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, June 9 - Graduate Recognition Sunday

Sundays, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Youth Group - Our middle school and high school youth meet every Sunday evening at the church! Come join us for an evening of activities, fellowship, and fun! We meet in the youth room and dinner is provided.

The Clyde Lee and Jane Cecilia Baker Endowment Fund Scholarship on Behalf of Professor Jack Sherman Baker

First United Methodist Church is pleased to announce the Clyde Lee and Jane Cecilia Baker Endowment Fund Scholarship on behalf of Professor Jack Sherman Baker. This scholarship is available to current and previous youth who have been active in the youth and/or music ministries of FUMC. It is available for advanced education, including community/junior college, 4-year college/university, or accredited trade school. Applications can be obtained by contacting the church office and must be turned in for consideration by April 12, 2019.



Update from Mutare

Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Luke 12:7

Easter greetings from Africa University!

Southern Africa has made the international news recently. The poor rainy season was not enough to capture the attention of the press. Here on campus we had received less than half of the normal rainfall. We were partially saved by our irrigation system, but most area small-scale farmers without access to irrigation will harvest almost no maize/corn, their staple food.

But then the weekend of 16-17 March saw Cyclone Idai make landfall. The four inches of rain received in this area were too late for most crops, but at least there was no major infrastructural damage on campus or nearby.

However, the Chimanimani district south of here received 20 inches in a day, with scores of deaths from drowning and house collapses, and roads and bridges washed out so that whole villages were accessible only by helicopter. East of here in Mozambique, the coastal city of Beira was hit even harder. Several of Jane's Mozambican students had still not heard from their families, a week later.

We don't know exactly what is happening across the border, but Zimbabwean friends involved in the relief effort in Chimanimani tell heart-warming stories of incredible generosity and selfless, non-stop action by both local residents but also groups in Mutare as well as Harare and other cities. International groups such as UMCOR, Red Cross and World Vision are also involved--both in short-term assistance, but also in long-term rehabilitation and development.

In January we flew to Johannesburg to attend a church conference on Agriculture and the Church in Africa. It was exciting to meet many AU Agriculture students that have become missionaries, using their skills to lead Agriculture development in other African countries as they take the gospel out to the communities they work with.

We met other AU graduates who are missionaries involved in church planting as well as health care and other roles.

We know that it is our call as Christians in mission to work alongside local residents so that they can build for themselves strong, resilient systems and communities. A major goal of AU is to help provide some of the leaders needed to cope with an ever-changing world, dealing with climate change and other challenges. Africa University--Investing in Africa's future.

Thanks to all who have helped to keep the Dream Alive--through scholarship support (most of the Agricultural missionaries mentioned were recipients of such help) and/or developing the living laboratory which is the AU Farm (current needs are for upgraded irrigation pumps and a new fertilizer spreader).

Family News:

Michael, in the second semester of his Software Engineering degree program at Iowa State, is now often called by his Shona name, Simba. *Carly* is very excited about her University of Queensland campus ministry in Brisbane Australia. More on her can be seen at www.cmfi.org/ckies. *Pule and Christine* loved the winter in Boulder, Colorado, and *Ben* in New York was really pleased to finish a major project at Flatiron.

Please pray for:

- those seriously affected by recent natural disasters--Cyclone Idai in Zimbabwe, Mozambiqueand Malawi
the disastrous rainy season in Zimbabwe
the flooding in the Midwest USA
- those responding on-site to provide immediate assistance to those in need
- Africa University and other institutions training the leaders of tomorrow to find long-term strategies to both cope with present challenges and avoid future disasters
- For each person to discern how they can best help

As always, thank you for your support, love, cards, prayers, thoughts, and emails, especially during this (soon-to-be) Easter season!

Yours and His,
Larry and Jane Kies
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LKies@africau.edu

U.M.C. Advance Special numbers:
Africa University Farm Development: 3021027
Africa University Scholarships: 3021028
Salary support: 09572Z (Larry) 10739Z (Jane)



If you wish to donate toward the purchase of Easter Lilies, please fill in this form and send or bring it to the Church Office. Please include your check in the amount of \$10.00 per lily payable to FUMC.

Orders cannot be accepted after Monday, April 15.

- May be taken to shut-in or nursing home**
- Will Pick Up after 11:00 a.m. Easter Service**

Given: **In Honor of** _____

Given: **In Memory of** _____

Your Name(s)

Phone Number(s) _____

Number of Lilies Ordered _____
Paid \$ _____

Flower Calendar Sign-Up for 2019

The 2019 Flower Calendar Sign-up is available on the bulletin board outside the Resource Room. You can choose the dates on which to celebrate special people and/or special events among your family and friends. The flowers are ordered for you by the chairman of the month. It is a simple way to beautify the chancel and remember the special people in your life. For questions, call Teryl Pigott at 621-2744 or email terylpigott@gmail.com.

Pastor Leah's Wednesday Schedule

Pastor Leah is available each Wednesday from noon to 5 p.m. for drop-in visits from the congregation. If this is not a convenient time for you, please contact Sharon Johnson or Bonnie Berner in the church office who will have alternative opportunities to meet with Pastor Leah. Please understand that pastoral care emergencies may happen on Wednesday afternoons.

Bookkeeper Needed at empty tomb, inc.

We're looking for someone to join staff in a paid position as Bookkeeper. Is this you? Dependable, detailed, honest, careful, responsible, not afraid of math, and wanting to help people in Jesus' name.

Bookkeeping touches and is essential for every one of empty tomb's local, national research, and global works. Bookkeeping is critical for empty tomb's effort to spark a revival in the church in the U.S. empty tomb, inc. does not have the money to pay you what you could earn elsewhere. What we do have is an opportunity for you to use your God-given intelligence, your knowledge and skills in a critically important role as we try to promote revival in the church in the U.S. Join a staff who strive to have the attitude of Jesus, "Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant" (Phil. 2:6-7, NIV).

We have been developing a good manual and have a computerized accounting system with access to phone support. Ability to work with Microsoft Excel and Word important.

See emptytomb.org/jobs or email coor@emptytomb.org for more information.

Puzzle!

Find and circle these words associated with the Lenten journey to the cross.

colt	denial	kiss	repent
confess	donkey	lots	silver
cross	forsaken	palms	sins
crown	Gethsemane	penance	suffer
crucifixion	Golgotha	Pilate	thorns
death	hosanna	prayer	vigil

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 C L E U X B M T H B U C W B
 N R I K Y P A T E T I Y X Y
 A V J G A L B R E Y A R P B
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Jesus gives us *life*

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus offers the free gift of eternal life.

Directions: Match each clue from Holy Week with the correct image. If you get stuck, look up the Bible verses.

People spread these on the road for Jesus. (Matthew 21:8)



Mary pours this on Jesus' feet. (John 12:3)



Jesus shares this with his disciples. (Matthew 26:26)



This is placed on Jesus' head. (John 19:2)



Soldiers may have used these to compete for Jesus' coat. (John 19:23-24)



Jesus carries this himself for a while. (John 19:17)



Marks caused by these help Thomas identify Jesus. (John 20:25)



While on the cross, Jesus is thirsty and is given this. (John 19:28-29)



This is rolled away from Jesus' tomb. (John 20:1)



These are used to prepare Jesus' body for burial. (Luke 23:55-56)



These remain in the tomb after Jesus rises. (John 20:6-7)



Judas betrays Jesus for this. (Matthew 26:14-15)



Answer: palm branches, perfume, bread, crown of thorns, dice, cross, nails, vinegar on a sponge, stone, linens, spices, silver coins

Congregational Life of FUMC

April 16-30, 2019



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| 16 | Benedicte Tshomba | 27 | Nicholas Bodony |
| 17 | Bonnie Whiteside | 27 | Kyle Curtis |
| 18 | Aaron Chapman | 27 | Joseph Mattingly |
| 18 | Linda Faullin | 27 | Wayne Weber |
| 19 | Linda Rawlings | 28 | Mary Slater |
| 20 | Austin Ray | 28 | Susan Weber |
| 20 | Ryan Weldon | 29 | Susan Hinesly |
| 21 | Lea Tshomba | 30 | Al Boehm |
| 23 | Kathy Reineke | 30 | Britney Kirby |
| 26 | Ted Beach | 30 | Jaxon Pendleton |
| 26 | Bob Parkhill | 30 | Eric Robeson |
| | | 30 | David Weible |



- 17 Josef & Helen Hallbeck
18 Rob & Dot Beldon

Hospital Report

Hospitalized in the past two weeks: Robert Asherman, Diana Elder, Dean Lafferty, Roger Karr, and Jack Simpson.



GOING INTO THE HOSPITAL?

If you are scheduled by your physician to be hospitalized, please indicate "**Champaign First United Methodist Church**" on your admission form.

Privacy guidelines will not allow hospitals to notify the Church without your permission. If you can, call us before you are admitted, or have a family member or friend let us know.

We don't want to miss you when we visit.

Pastor Leah & Rev. Jerry

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Do YOU need a ride to 11:00 Sunday Morning Worship Service?



We want you here to worship!!
Call the Church Office at 356-9078.

NEXT

Messenger Deadline, April 11, 2019
published on April 17

Articles may be submitted by e-mail to: bberner@champaignfumc.org or brought to the Church.

Deaths

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to Cherié & John Weible and family at the passing of Cherié's mother, Peggy L. Finley, on March 15, 2019, in Joplin, MO.




Prayer Requests

If you have a need for prayer, please call the Church Office at 356-9078.

Congregational Life of FUMC

Church Calendar

Thursday, April 4

10:00 Minds in Motion
 1:30 WCG Leadership Team
 6:30 Perceptions Praise Team

Sunday, April 7 5th Sunday in Lent Communion

8:15 Coffee Connections
 8:45 ARK Child Care
 9:00 Perceptions Worship
 10:00 Lyman/Badt WCG
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Classic Worship
 1:30 Lenten Study
 3:00 WCG Leaders Group
 4:00 Angel Choir Rehearsal
 4:30 Corum WCG
 5:00 Youth Music Rehearsal
 6:00 Youth Group
 6:05 Doll WCG

Monday, April 8

1:30 Goller WCG
 3:00 Lenten Study
 6:30 Cub Scout Pack 11
 7:00 Choral Union Rehearsal
 7:00 Staff-Parish Relations Committee
 7:00 Young Adult Lenten Study

Tuesday, April 9

10:30 Staff Meeting
 1:30 Wiggs WCG
 6:00 Chancel Ringers Rehearsal
 7:00 Bachman WCG
 7:00 Boy Scout Troop #1

Wednesday, April 10

1:30 NDFL Committee
 4:45 Confirmation Class
 6:00 Pray First!
 6:30 Carlier WCG
 6:30 Dorcas Circle
 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 Mattingly WCG
 7:30 Venturing Crew 1

Thursday, April 11

8:30 *Messenger* Deadline
 1:30 WCG Leadership Team
 6:30 Perceptions Praise Team

Saturday, April 13 Cub Scout Pack 11 Lock-In

Sunday, April 14 Palm Sunday

Angel Choir & Youth Music at Both Services
 8:15 Coffee Connections
 8:30 UMW Bake Sale
 8:45 ARK Child Care
 9:00 Perceptions Worship
 10:00 Lyman/Badt WCG
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Classic Worship
 1:30 Lenten Study
 4:00 Angel Choir Rehearsal
 4:30 LIFT (Leading In Faith Together)
 5:00 Youth Music Rehearsal
 6:00 Youth Group

Monday, April 15

3:00 Lenten Study
 5:15 Board of Trustees
 6:30 Cub Scout Pack 11
 7:00 Choral Union Rehearsal
 7:00 Sarah Circle
 7:00 Young Adults Lenten Study

Tuesday, April 16

9:30 Program Staff Meeting
 10:00 Art Cafe
 6:00 Chancel Ringers Rehearsal
 7:00 Boy Scout Troop #1

Wednesday, April 17

8:30 *Messenger* Assembly
 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 Venturing Crew 1

Thursday, April 18 Maundy Thursday

10:00 Minds in Motion
 1:30 WCG Leadership Team
 6:30 Perceptions Praise Team
 6:30 Stephen Ministry Supervision
 7:00 Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, April 19 Good Friday

7:00 Good Friday Worship at First Presbyterian Church

Saturday, April 20

10:00 Easter Egg Hunt Preparations

Sunday, April 21 Easter Sunday

8:15 Coffee Connections
 8:45 ARK Child Care
 9:00 Perceptions Worship
 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt
 11:00 Classic Worship

Monday, April 22

6:30 Cub Scout Pack 11
 7:00 Choral Union Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 23

10:30 Staff Meeting
 6:00 Chancel Ringers Rehearsal
 7:00 Boy Scout Troop #1

Worship Attendance

Sunday, March 24, 2019

9:00.....66
 11:00.....99
Total.....165

Sunday, March 31, 2019

9:00.....69
 11:00.....110
Total.....179

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April 7, 2019

5th Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m. Perceptions Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Classic Worship

Sermon:

“Obedience: A New Thing”

Scripture:

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:4b-14

Rev. Leah Pogemiller, preaching

April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday

6th Sunday in Lent

9:00 a.m. Perceptions Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Classic Worship

Sermon:

“Caught in a Parade”

Scripture:

Luke 19:28-40; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11

Rev. Leah Pogemiller, preaching

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*For more information, please call the Church Office at (217) 356-9078. Nonmember subscription rate \$20.00 per year
(or can be found at no cost at www.champaignfumc.org).*

Every Sunday morning: 8:15 a.m.-Coffee Connections;
9:00 a.m.-Perceptions Worship; 10:00 a.m.-Sunday School (during
the school year); 11:00 a.m.-Classic Worship. Child care for infants
through age 10 is available from 8:45-12:15.