#### Thank You Notes

Thank you to everyone who helped fold the March newsletters.

Thank you to Glenda Parrish for donating a ream of paper.

Thank you to Bob Wittrock and Lois Eggerth for donating stamps.



Thank you to whomever left a vase of daffodils on my desk. They made my day after being out sick. Also, thank you to everyone who sent birthday cards, texts, and gifts for my 40th birthday. It was so thoughtful of you!

Jennifer Agnew

St. Paul's United Methodist Memorial Committee,

Thanks to all of you for ordering, pressing, and placing the Lenten paraments on the altar, lectern, and pulpit. You are very much appreciated. Thanks to all!

> Sincerely, Jolene Deichmann



Thank you to everyone who donated Easter lilies to decorate the sanctuary for Easter. A complete list of donors and honorees will be printed in the Easter bulletin.

Thank you to Shelley Lenz who undecorated the dining room from Christmas and redecorated it for Easter.



Thank you to everyone who donated snacks and drinks for the children's Sunday School program. They appreciate the breakfast, and it is so heartening to see how quickly and willingly the congregation responds to a request.

Thank you to Sally Knoben for the treats and visits and to Jeannette Grant for the cards.

Alyce Hirschman

I would like to thank all of you who helped me celebrate my birthday. It was a special day.

Joan Lucas

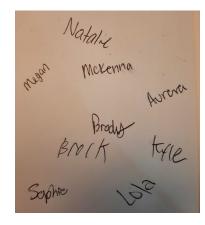
Thanks to everyone for the cards, prayers, and love following the death of my sister.

Sharon Bennink

To all members and friends of St. Paul's UMC,

Thank you to all who helped and attended our pancake brunch. The donations you so kindly gave helped with expenses for our annual ski trip. A special shout out to Brenda DeRoo for organizing this event!

Respectfully, Teen Time Youth Group Craig & Monica Schmidt



To all of you "Adult Sunday School" supporters:

We all appreciate your generous gift to our "Teen Time" youth group to help with expenses for our annual ski trip. Thank you for having our youth in mind as you share your "gifts."

Respectfully, Craig & Monica Schmidt









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# **Church Pictorial Directory Information**

# **Photography Dates:**

Thursday, April 20th, from 2:00-8:30 p.m. Friday, April 21st, from 2:00-8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 22nd, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

# To Schedule an Appointment:

Monday-Friday, schedule online at ucdir.com. Church code: ia244 Password: photos

Call the office if you want Jennifer or Pastor Mike to schedule for you, or you can schedule in-person on Sundays in the narthex following worship.

Time slots fill up quickly!

If you have an updated name, address, or phone number for yourself or a family member who is in our directory, please contact Jennifer in the church office. We also need volunteers to work at the registration table for two-hour shifts on photography dates. If you are willing, please talk to Jennifer. (Computer skills are not needed, as it is a paper sign-in at that point.)

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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

9 a.m. Sunday School

**April 2023** 

10:10 a.m. Worship

# St. Paul's UMC

Sept.-May Worship Time: 10:10 a.m.

#### Address:

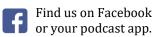
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#### Website:

www.cherokeemethodist.com



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**Iennifer's Email:** cherokeespumc@gmail.com

#### **Iennifer's Office Hours:**

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

#### St. Paul's Staff

#### Pastor:

Mike Agnew

**Financial Secretary:** Sarah Cook

#### **Administrative Assistant:** Jennifer Agnew

**Custodian: Betty Harman** 

#### **Organists/Pianists:**

**Betty Point** Meribeth Adams Chris Andersen

#### **Chancel Choir Director: Becky Lickiss**

**Bell Choir Director: Dusty Wright** 

#### **Nursery Attendants:**

Nicole Hoskinson Whitney Robinson Heidi Gerstandt Miranda Cook Bailey Gaydo Jen Gaydo

### A Moment With Mike

As we head into the season of spring, the next couple of months bring with them a number of things to celebrate. For those who are tired of winter weather, the season alone is enough to celebrate as the outside world around us comes to life once again. In the life of the church, we are preparing to observe Palm



Sunday, holy week, and the Easter season. We remember once again the story of Jesus' trial, suffering, and death at the hands of cruel men who wanted him dead. Then,



we celebrate the empty tomb and proclaim that "Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia! Amen!" I do hope your schedule will allow you to partake in some of our special services to commemorate the season, including our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services, both at 7 p.m., our Easter services at 8 a.m. and 10:10 a.m., and our Easter brunch at 8:45 a.m. During Sunday School, kids will have an Easter egg hunt at around 9:45 a.m.

That would be enough for one month, but there's more! At the end of the month on April 30th, we will confirm our eighth grade students who have gone through our confirmation class and have decided they want to confirm their faith. These students were baptized by their parents when they were infants. At that time, their parents, godparents, and our congregation vowed to do all we could to raise them in a Christian environment until they are old enough to make a decision for themselves. In a way, confirmation is a fulfillment of this baptismal promise, though it is not the only one. We all continue to live out, or fulfill, our baptismal vows whenever we seek to live as Jesus taught us and to make a difference in the lives of others. If you have been baptized, how are you continuing to live out your baptismal vows? I know many of you do this every day, helping others, praying, and serving those around you. May we continue to live out our baptismal vows, and in so doing, we will be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

God bless, Pastor Mike Agnew

#### Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai Installed

"This is the church Wesley envisioned when he said, 'Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike.' Wesley said we may not be of the same opinion, but can't we be of the same heart? Can't we have hearts centered in love?" asked Bishop Kennetha J. Bigham-Tsai during her installation service at Collegiate United Methodist Church and Wesley Foundation on Sunday, February 19, 2023. She preached from Matthew 16:13-18, asking the hundreds gathered to reflect on their identity as United Methodists in her sermon titled 'Remembering Who We Are.' Bishop Kennetha J. Bigham-



Tsai was elected to the episcopacy by the North Central Jurisdiction in November 2022. She began as the resident bishop of the Iowa Area in January 2023. She is the first Black woman to serve as Iowa's Episcopal leader." To continue this article about Bishop Bigham-Tsai's installation service, please visit https://www.iaumc.org/ newsdetail/bishop-kennetha-j-bigham-tsai-installed-as-iowa-um-conferences-newepiscopal-leader-17322314.

# Worship Notes

#### Acolytes

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	Jerri Hunt (west)	the online sign-up. A back
4/16	Rod & Priscilla Bainbridge; Darrel & Sue Paulsen	the safety of the children.
4/23	Chuck & Julie Tolzin and Ervina Scott	each Sunday worked.
4/30	Lowell & Sharon Bennink & Roni Timmerman	
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Liturgists				
,	Bruce Dagel Scott Brown			
Children's Time				
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4/9	Pastor Mike Agnew	4/30	John Cook
4/16	Bruce Dagel		

#### **Ushers**

4/2	Marla Conley & Scott Osborn
	Amy & Madison Stief and Bruce Dagel
4/9	8:00 a.m Curt & Kristal Phillips, Amy Stief, an
	Doug & Sandi Stowater
	10:10 a.m Dave & Donna Lucas
	Austin, Meg, & Aubrey Lucas
4/16	Mark & Becky Scherbring
	Dr. Wes & Sue Parker and Leah Dagel

Dave & Donna Lucas and Austin Lucas Gene & Jean Anderson and Tim & Jen Gaydo Peg Rasch

4/23 Curt & Kristal Phillips

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4/16	Gerald and Nancy Sears	
4/23 4/30	Connie Hankens The Mosbach Family	
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The 2023 altar flower sign-up is in the narthex on Sundays, or you can call Jennifer during the week. If the date you prefer has been taken, it is okay to have more than one arrangement per Sunday.

also have a staffed nursery for lers that is located on the secon wing in the first classroom If you would like to join the on, we can send you a link to ekground check is required, for A \$25 stipend is available for

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship ser-

**Nursery Attendants** 

#### Sermon Series: The "I Am" Statements of Jesus

The Gospel of John contains what we call the "I am" statements of Jesus. Each statement helps us to understand a different aspect of who Jesus is and what he has done. This Lenten season, we are exploring who Jesus is and what it means to follow him.

4/2	Palm Sunday - "Unelectable"
	(John 12:12-19; Matthew 20:20-28)
4/6	Maundy Thursday - "I Am the Bread of Life"
	(John 6:25-40)

Good Friday - "A Service of Tenebrae" Easter - "I Am the Resurrection and the Life"

(John 11:17-27; 20:1-18)

#### **Upcoming Sermon Series: What Comes Next?** The Post-Resurrection Stories of Jesus

In this sermon series, we will explore the stories of Jesus after his resurrection but before his ascension.

"The Emmaus Road (Luke 24:13-35)

"A Doubtful Faith" (Luke 24:36-49; John 20:19-29)

"The Audacity of Confirmation"

This series continues through May 28th.

#### **Podcast and Online Services Available**

Sermons are available on 92.1 FM KCHE on Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. and are also available via podcast. You can find a link to a podcast app on our website (green icon in the upper right). Our full service is available live on



our YouTube channel and as a recording after the fact both on our YouTube page and on our Facebook page. A link for our YouTube page can be found on our website (red and white icon in upper right), and a link for our Facebook page can also be found on our website (blue and white icon in upper right). If you have trouble accessing the podcast or YouTube channel, please 11 stop by the office for assistance.

# Missions Updates

#### **FCA Coaches Timeout Table**

Our Missions Committee purchased a table for \$250 at FCA Coaches Timeout on March 25th at Little Sioux Event Center. This allowed the members of our congregation who attended to learn more about FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), enjoy a meal, and hear a Christian comedian. If you have questions about FCA, please contact Bruce Dagel.







#### **UMCOR Sunday Update**

UMCOR Sunday (United Methodist Committee on Relief) was March 19th, and we collected \$541 to fund the administrative costs of this disaster relief organization. Because of this special offering, UMCOR is able to use 100% of any donation to a specific UMCOR project or missionary directly for that project and not administrative costs. Thank you for your generosity!

#### **Easter Sunday Special Offering**

Our Easter special offering will go to UMCOR specifically to assist following the deadly earthquakes in southern Turkey and northwest Syria. Checks can be made payable to St. Paul's UMC, with the memo marked for "Advance #982450" or "Syria/



Turkey." UMCOR has already released a grant to assist with tents, heaters, blankets, warm clothes, ready to eat meals, and basic first aid kits. With UMCOR, 100% of your donation goes to the people in need. For more information about this humanitarian crisis, please visit https://umcmission.org/news-statements/umcorresponse-to-earthquakes-in-turkey-and-syria/ or https://www.atlantanewsfirst.com/2023/02/14/ calls-continue-help-survivors-earthquakes-turkeysyria/. If you don't have internet access and would like to read the articles, contact the office, as Jennifer can print off a copy for you.

#### **Native American Ministries Sunday on April 23rd**

"Native American Ministries Sunday serves to remind United Methodists of the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society and in our communities. With more than 20,000 Native Americans within the denomina-



tion, this Special Sunday helps to ensure that Native American United Methodist leaders are recognized and to celebrate their special voice in The United Methodist Church. This Special Sunday was officially recognized in 1988 and has been celebrated on the Third Sunday of Easter since 1989. An offering is taken on this day and is used to develop and strengthen Native American ministries in the annual conferences, and Native American rural, urban, reservation ministries, and communities. It also provides scholarships for Native Americans attending United Methodist schools of theology. Donations support vital ministries and churches in the Native American communities and allow The UMC to partner with existing native ministries to develop new programs on behalf of Native Americans. Half of the donations collected remain within the Annual Conference to provide hope to children and youth, hope for a brighter future in impoverished communities and a voice to those who have felt voiceless for years." To finish the article, please visit https://www.umc.org/en/content/native-americanministries-sunday-ministry-article, or ask Jennifer to print you a copy if you don't have internet access.

### Lent Announcements

#### **Lent Study Groups**

The Lent study groups continue to read Adam Hamilton's book, 24 Hours That Changed the World. The Sunday group will meet at 6:30 p.m. on April 2nd and 16th, and the Wednesday group will meet at 10 a.m. on April 5th and 12th. Both groups meet in Feller Lounge. Participants are welcome to switch between the groups as your schedule allows, and an online (Zoom) option can also be provided.

#### What is Palm Sunday?



Palm/Passion Sunday is on April 2nd. To find out what Palm Sunday is and why we observe it, please visit https://www.umc.org/en/ content/ask-the-umc-why-

do-we-observe-passion-palm-Sunday, or ask Jennifer to print you a copy of the article.









# St. Paul's UMC's 2023 **Holy Week Schedule**

# **Palm/Passion Sunday**

Sunday, April 2nd, at 10:10 a.m. The children will help with the palm parade.

# Maundy/Holy Thursday

Thursday, April 6th, at 7:00 p.m.

We will partake in holy communion, and the Chancel Choir will sing.

# **Good Friday**

Friday, April 7th, at 7:00 p.m. We will focus on Jesus' death on the cross.

# **Easter Sunday**

# Sunday, April 9th

8 a.m. Worship

8:45-9:45 a.m. Brunch in Schuldt Dining Hall 9:00 a.m. Sunday School and Easter Egg Hunt 10:10 a.m. Worship



Our special offering will go to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to assist following the deadly earthquakes in Turkey and Syria.

**Everyone is welcome!** 

# Announcements & Updates

#### Men's Breakfast



Thanks to Jeff Blum for providing breakfast for the men on March 25th. The group won't meet in April but will meet on May 13th at 8:30 a.m. in Schuldt Dining Hall. All men are wel-

come, so invite your friend or neighbor!

#### **Hy-Vee Receipts Program Discontinued**

We are sorry to announce that **IMPORTANT** Hy-Vee has recently discontinued their receipts program. Thank you to Hy-Vee for the



years of generous donations, to all of you who collected and donated receipts, and especially to Jeff Blum who organized the receipts for reimbursement and oversaw this program.

#### **Cookie Dough Orders in Soon**



Thank you for supporting Teen Time's cookie dough fundraiser. The group sold 67 tubs of cookie dough-made by Carol's Kitchen-and the \$420 profit will fund their Christmas giving for the less

fortunate. Cookie dough will be delivered to the church on Saturday, April 8th. Orders will be available for pick -up in the church kitchen on Easter Sunday. If you can't pick up your order that day, they can be stored in the church refrigerator until a more convenient time.

#### **Scholarship Through UW Faith**

"The United Women in Faith National Scholarship is for lay women in the USA who are pursuing careers in church or social service vocations. Preference will be given to laity working on behalf of women, children, and youth." Applications are due by Tues-





#### The Upper Room Devotionals

The May/June The Upper Room devotionals have arrived and are available in the narthex. If you normally get your copy via postal mail, it should arrive within a week.

#### **Membership Secretary Update**

Julie Tolzin will become St. Paul's membership secretary as of April 1st after training with Carolyn VanAmberg since January 2020. Thank you to Carolyn for her years of service.

#### Spring Clean-Up Day on April 15th



Do you have small, outside projects around your house that are difficult for you to complete on your own, such as raking, picking up debris, or cleaning out your gutters? On Saturday, April 15th, beginning at 8:00 a.m., we will have a clean-up/service day to help you with these small projects that need to be done. If you could

use some help **or** if you would like to volunteer to assist others, please sign up in the narthex on Sundays or in the church office throughout the week.

#### **Sunday School Teachers Needed for Fall**

We are looking for Sunday School **VOLUNTEER** teachers for PK-8th grades for the 2023-2024 school year. Ideally, we would have two to four teachers per classroom, so that teach-



ers don't have to be scheduled for every week. Pastor Mike says there is no age cap on Sunday School teachers. © Caring, loving adults of all ages are welcome and encouraged to volunteer. The only requirement is that you pass a background check, for the kids' safety. Pastor Mike is able to run the background check online in just a few minutes.

#### **Graduate Information Needed**

We will be honoring graduating high school and college students during our worship service on May 21st. As part of the service, we will play a PowerPoint presentation that highlights each senior. Parents, if you would like your student to be



included, please email the office a baby picture, a senior picture, and one or two pictures from in-between. In addition, please share with us your student's name, where he/she is graduating from, his/her future plans, and any other information about your student that you want included in the bulletin insert. Please have this information submitted to the office by May 14th (earlier is even better).

#### **Attendance**

		Sunday			Teen
Date	Worship	School	Wed.	Confirmation	Time
2/26	157	36	3/1	8	FCA
3/5	121	39	3/8	7	12
3/12	124	41	3/15	N/A	10
3/19	103	31	3/22	7	9
3/26	142	33			

### Christian Education News

#### **Weather Cancels Youth Ski Trip**

Unfortunately, the youth ski trip had to be cancelled this year, as Mount Kato had forecasted snow and winds. Proceeds from the pancake brunch and other donations have been deposited into the youth account for future use.

#### **Easter Book Suggestions for Young Children**



If you are interested in Easter book recommendations for young children, https://michiganumc.org/8easter-books-for-young-children/.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 9-13th. Save the date, and join the fun!



#### **Diakonos Applications Due May 1st** (High School Assistants at Annual Conference)

"The Diakonos (Greek for a servant) Leadership Development program application is open for 15 high schoolers from around the state to assist during the Iowa Annual Conference 2023 session from June 1 – 4 at the RecPlex in West Des Moines, IA. Diakonos will help deliver communications, directions, aide and assist those attending, learn about the United Methodist Church and its processes, have fun, and do lots of other activities. The application, letter of reference, health form, and housing deposit check must be mailed and postmarked by Monday, May 1, 2023. Candidate selection will be announced after May 6." To finish this article and to find an application and information about how to submit it, please visit https:// www.iaumc.org/newsdetail/application-for-diakonos -to-serve-at-ac2023-now-open-17325206, or ask Jennifer to print you a copy of the article.

# Church Family News

#### 90th Birthday Celebration

Joan Lucas celebrated her 90th birthday on March 19th. The congregation enjoyed fellowship time in her honor following worship.



#### Welcome, Little One!



Emma Good and Carter Jacobson are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Aspen Ruth Jacobson, who was born on March 5th. Aspen weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19" long. Proud grandparents are

Amber and Willie Good and Mike and Cara Jacobson, and her great-grandmother is Darla Good.

#### With Sympathy and Prayers

**Stanley G. Tinkham**, 86, of Meriden went home to be with the Lord on February 20th. Visitation and a memorial service were held here at St. Paul's UMC on March 4th. A private family burial will take place in Oshkosh, Nebraska, at a later date. Stanley was Mary's

Cathy Marie (Timmerman) Eischen, 74, passed away on February 24th. She is the sister-in-law to Roni Timmerman and an aunt to Amy and Marlin Stief and Kent and Tasha Timmerman.

Evan Knapp, 88, passed away on March 8th at Careage Hills Nursing Home in Cherokee. Visitation for the public will be held on Friday, April 7th, at Boothby Funeral Home from 4-7 p.m., with the family present from 5-7 p.m. Private family services will be held on Saturday, April 8th, at the Boothby Funeral Home. A celebration of life for the public will be held on April 8th from 1:30-4 p.m. at Danny's Sports Spot in Cherokee. Appetizers and drinks will be provided. All guests are invited to share a story and drink a toast to Evan. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

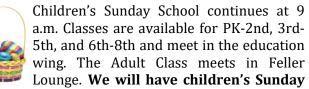
Mary Lillian Tinkham, 80, of Meriden passed away on March 9th at Good Samaritan Society Nursing Home in Holstein. Visitation and a memorial service were held here at St. Paul's on March 25th. Mary was Stanley's wife.

Roberta Emmerson, 84, of Colorado passed away on March 17th. The family will be honoring her memory in a private ceremony. Roberta is Sharon (Lowell) Bennink's sister.



# Christian Education News & Updates

#### **April Sunday School News**



School on Easter, including an Easter egg hunt at 9:45 a.m., sponsored by the Outreach and Connections Team. The Children's Choir (PK-5th grade) will sing in worship on Sunday, April 30th. That is also the Sunday we will collect our monthly noisy offering (spare change) to benefit children's ministries.

#### **Sunday School Food Drive**

The children's Sunday School classes collected food and toiletries, and the items were donated to the CAP food pantry. Thanks to everyone who donated and to Jeff Blum for delivering the items to the food pantry.



#### **Palm Sunday**



The children will be helping with the palm processional during worship on Palm/Passion Sunday, which is April 2nd. We hope you can join us!

#### **Confirmation Schedule**

The confirmation class will meet on April 5th, 12th, and 19th from 5:30-6:45 p.m. in Feller Lounge. The confirmation rehearsal dinner for students and their families will be held on Wednesday, April 26th, at 6:30 p.m. in Schuldt Dining Hall. Confirmation Sunday is scheduled for April 30th.

#### Teen Time Schedule

Teen Time will meet at Craig & Monica's (409 Centennial Drive) from 6:30-8 p.m. on April 12th, 19th, and 26th.

#### **FCA Community Night**

FCA Community Night for teens in 7th-12th grade will be held at Immaculate Conception (709 W. Cedar St.) on Wednesday, April 5th, from 6:15-8:00 p.m.

#### 6th-8th Grade Sunday School on March 5th

The youth in our 6th-8th grade Sunday School class got to play a game on March 5th. They were getting their sheep (balloons) into their pen (chair) and protecting them from others. Tasha Timmerman, one of the Sunday School teachers, devised this activity to go along with Pastor Mike's sermon, "I Am the Gate."



Above: Matthew Mosbach, Gavin and Parker Wych, and Ally Timmerman



Above: Madi Daum, Matthew Mosbach, and Gavin Wych

Photo credit to Tasha Timmerman

# Announcements & Updates

#### **Summer Camp Coming Soon!**



For more information, please visit https://www.iaumc.org/camps/#iac. Remember that St. Paul's Missions Committee will pay 75% of the camp cost for St. Paul's children, youth, or adults.



For details, please visit https://www.iaumc.org/eventdetail/17306185, or ask Jennifer for the article.

#### "Midwest Mission Expands to Jefferson, Iowa"

"For years the Midwest Mission's facility in Pawnee, Illinois, has been booked with volunteers—sometimes even one to two years in advance—and cannot add more space at its current site. Because of these restraints, their board of directors sought opportunities to expand their operations in the North Central Jurisdiction. They chose Jefferson, Iowa, as their new location because of Iowa's Mission Ingathering and its strong historical ties to Midwest Mission." To finish this article, please visit https://www.iaumc.org/newsdetail/miswest-mission-expands-to-jeffersoniowa-17344870, or ask Jennifer to print you a copy.

#### Your Money, Your Goals Course

Are you a social service provider who wants to be better equipped to initiate basic discussions about money management with your clients or a caring volunteer or someone with an interest in helping others take steps towards financial stability and self-sufficiency? ISU Extension and Outreach is sponsoring a financial empowerment course for social services. The course will be offered at the ISU County Extension Office in Storm Lake on Wednesday, April 12th, from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Cost is \$35, and CEUs are available upon request. Contact Carol Ehlers at xehlers@iastate.edu, or see the poster on the bulletin boards at St. Paul's north and west entrances for more information.

#### **Other Upcoming Meetings and Events**

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Mondays	8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (NE door and downstairs)
Wednesdays	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Bell Choir (sanctuary) Chancel Choir (choir room Alcoholics Anonymous (NE door and downstairs)
Tues., 4/4	8 a.m2 p.m. 9:30 a.m.	Foster Care Review (Fellow Visitation Team (library
Sat., 4/8	_	Sanctuary in use
Tues., 4/11	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mission Committee (Felle Outreach & Connection Team (Feller Lounge) SPRC (Feller Lounge)
Fri., 4/21	7.00 p.m.	Newsletter deadline
Tues., 4/25	10:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Communion at Viola's Communion at Accura
Wed., 4/26	10:00 a.m.	The Gardens Bible Study
Thurs., 4/27	1:30 p.m.	Newsletter assembly

# Women in Faith Buzz



#### **UW Faith Executive Board**

Monday, April 10, at 9:30 a.m. Schuldt Dining Hall

#### **Charity Circle**

Wednesday, April 19, at 1:30 p.m. Schuldt Dining Hall

#### **Grace Circle**

Wednesday, April 12, at 6:30 p.m. Schuldt Dining Hall Hostess: Gigi Boothby; Program: TBA

#### Joy Circle

Wednesday, April 19, at 9:30 a.m.
Schuldt Dining Hall

Hostess: Lois Eggerth; Program: Gloria Ford

# February and March Happenings

#### Men's Breakfast on February 25th



Children's Choir and Bells on February 26th





Videos are available on our Facebook page.

#### **Sermons Ala Carte on March 1st**



On March 1st, Pastor Mike gave the message at Sermons Ala Carte, the weekly community Lenten service held at Memorial Presbyterian Church. Our congregation helped provide the meal of chicken hot dish, salads, rolls, and dessert bars. Around 130 people were served lunch. Thank you to Betty Point for playing piano and to everyone who provided food, helped

with the meal, greeted guests, or collected money for lunch. A recording of the service and additional pictures are available on our Facebook page.

#### Pancake Brunch on February 26th

The pancake brunch was delicious and a big success, with 120 people served. Thank you so much to everyone who helped or attended. \$961 was given, with a profit of \$872.42. The proceeds were to go toward the youth's upcoming ski trip.





Left: Carli Lubeck, Ava Agnew, and Kennedy Steward Above: Aurora Christensen, Amelia Brown, Paige Schlenger and McKenna Benson











# March Happenings

#### **Burgers and Bingo on March 23rd**

113+ people attended Burgers and Bingo, hosted by the Outreach and Connections Team. This was a great community event that attracted a lot of people from outside our congregation. A big "thank you" goes to the team and to everyone else who donated salads and bars and to those who helped set up, cook, serve, or clean-up. Everyone did a great job of being "God's Love in Action." The Outreach and Connections Team includes Bruce & Leah Dagel, Tim & Jen Gaydo, Miranda Cook, and Pastor Mike, and they had assistance from Rodney Bainbridge and Jeff Blum as well. \$852 was given in freewill offerings for the meal. Of that \$15 was designated for camp, and the rest went into the Evangelism/Outreach and Connections account for future events or projects. More photos are available on Facebook.











#### Children's Time on March 12th



In children's time, Pastor Mike talked about being lost and how Jesus is always with us.

Photo credit to Riley Lubeck

A View From the Pew on Sunday, March 26th



The Children's Choir sang and played bells during worship. Visit our Facebook page for videos of their performances as well as additional photos.



Linda Burkhart gave the children's message and talked about how Jesus is the vine and we are the branches. Jesus gives us love that we share with others. Linda brought a plant as an illustration, and then the kids got to make a vine by holding hands across the sanctuary. Additional photos are available on the Facebook page.



A view of the congregation Photo credit to Ava Agnew