

Central United Methodist Church

Weekly Messenger

April 12, 2024



Worship

Series Title: **We Walk in the Light**

Our Scripture: **3:1-7**

Sermon Title: ***"We Purify in Hope"***

This week, in worship we have a crazy sermon title, *"We Purify in Hope"*. John talks about purity in this week's message. Purity may seem unattainable, only bringing about frustration for good folks who are seeking to be disciples and to follow Jesus, but end up giving up before really beginning. What is John really saying, come in, tune in and grow in your faith. The Sunday Pat Dudgeon will be our Worship Assistant and Sara Simon will give our Children Message. Our AV Team will continue to balance mechanics and prayer in our AV booth.



Prayers

For all, by all - Central UMC

Jan Adams is having surgery on April 17th on her right shoulder.

Rena Prescott: Health issues.

Lee Scheierman: Health issues.

Deb Perkins and family in the loss of her sister-in-law Ellen.

Anthony Brunner, a family friend of the Edwards, as he recovers from heart surgery.

Brian Salladay, son of June and brother of Christy Malone, hospitalized last Saturday morning at Memorial Central and had surgery in the early hours.

Nancy Carson; in loss of her husband, Charlie.

Traci Boyer; in the loss of her husband, Smokey.

Jack Whitney fell on his bad hip, diagnosed with a blood clot; at home waiting to see doctors.

Ken Wacker Sr. overcoming cancer.

Our "WAVES", our country and its leaders.

Our World: The people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, and Gaza.

Serving in mission: Kutela Katembo, Angola, Africa.



Dates to Remember

No Trustees, Finance, or Council Meetings this month.

Senior Recognition Sunday will be held on Mother's Day

Sunday, May 12, 2024

We will be celebrating high school graduates: Will Schipfer, Keagan Hawkins, Dustin and Sierra Spillar

And, College Graduates: Tori Dudgeon and Christina Cox

GALLEY RD. WILL CLOSE TO TRAFFIC between East San Miguel St and Moffat Circle for eight months starting on or after April 8th

Summer Ministries

Vacation Bible School

June 3-7

More Information Coming Soon....

Theatre and Arts Camp

July 8-12

9:00-12:00 pm

With optional after-camp care from 12:00-3:00 pm

PK-5th grade

Register at go.fumc-cs.org/summercamp

Tween Camp

July 16-18

6-8th grade

John Wesley Ranch

Let me know if you have families who may be interested. Rev. Deb

Thank you to those who give their time.

Thank you to our Heavenly Bells and director, Priscilla Tracy, for the beautiful Easter music on Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Thank you for our Confirmation Mentors: Rod Rockwell, Brad and Sara Murdaugh, Kim Crom, Matt Schipfer, Diane Black, and Bob Edwards.

Groceries for the Backpack Project

CANNED VEGETABLES

We brought enough Mac 'n Cheese for 120 backpacks (2 months' worth)!!

NOW we need to bring canned vegetables:

Cut Green Beans / Peas / Sweet Corn (not creamed corn).

Please bring as many cans as you can to the cart by the south entrance.

Our church fills 60 backpacks every month for 3 schools:

Mitchell HS, Sweigert MS, and Wilson Elementary.

Can we bring enough canned veggies to fill those backpacks?? You bet we CAN!!

FAMILY PROMISE

April Mission Focus

“We are so extremely grateful for your time, energy, effort, and sacrifices!

Thank you for ALL THAT YOU DO!”

This lovely message, written on notebook paper with red hearts drawn by children, was left in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 24, after three mothers and six children had packed and left their 'bedrooms' early that morning. They had been the guests of our congregation for seven nights. We provided meals and lodging, hospitality, and friendship for those children and their mothers ... and we were blessed! Many volunteers worked together to make this happen. Thank you!

Family Promise is a national organization with one of its affiliates in Colorado Springs. It is a unique agency that provides shelter and meals in churches and synagogues. Every week the families are hosted by another congregation. During the day, families have access to many supportive services at the Family Promise Day Center, located within First UMC. The center, with showers and laundry facilities, is open 7 days a week, 7:00 - 5:00. Parents are provided strengths-based case management grounded in dignity and collaboration as they work to regain their independence and provide for their children.

We can provide hope and promise for families with our financial support. Please make checks payable to Central UMC, designated Family Promise. Thank you!!

LENTEN WALK 2024 – The Final Stretch!

We walked 441.76 miles!



Recurring Calendar Events

Sundays at Central UMC

Come join us before worship in Fellowship Hall
for a time together with coffee and donuts.

Choir practice

Every Sunday at 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Sanctuary doors will be closed for their practice time.

Bible Story Time

BIBLE STORY TIME RESUMES ON April 7th

For kids Kindergarten – 3rd Grade

Children's Music

11:00 -11:15 every Sunday
Meet in the Assembly Room.
Children are invited to enjoy singing and learning to play bells.

Children's Sunday School

Meets in the Assembly Room at 11:15 each Sunday.
Bring your kids, stay for coffee and adult class.

The Followers Class

Led by Karen Hobson

Book Study: *"Doubt"*

Meets in the Sunday School Classroom 1 (off of Fellowship Hall)

11:15 a.m. – Noon, every Sunday.

Hope you will join us!

"DOUBT"

Everyone has doubts. Where is God when bad things happen? Does God hear our prayers?
Is there a heaven? How can we know?

Often, we treat such questions as the enemy of faith. But uncertainty doesn't
mean our belief is lacking. Doubt can be a path to a deeper, richer encounter with God.

In *Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith*, join best-selling author and pastor
Adam Hamilton as he discusses some of our most significant sources of doubt and shows
how a steady trust in God can emerge from them. You will delve into questions like:

“Does God exist? How can I know?”

“Is the Bible true?”

“Why do prayers go unanswered?”

Tuesdays

Bible Study led by Rev. Judy Owsley

9:30 -10:30 in Classroom One

“The Lord’s Prayer”

By Adam Hamilton

The Tuesday study of The Lord’s Prayer will resume on

Tuesday, April 2nd. It’s not too late to join!!

Books (\$14) are available in the office.

Wednesdays

Heavenly Bells meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m., with Priscilla Tracy

In the sanctuary. Come early to help set up.

Call Priscilla to join the fun: (719) 660-1433



Thursdays

Rev. Deb’s Thursday class will take a hiatus.

Stay tuned for our next study this summer.

Thursday Evening @ 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Starting: This Summer - On Zoom

Naomi Circle

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month @ 10 a.m.

Come visit with the ladies.

Call Wynona Batman (719 596-1851) for more information.

See you on May 2nd, 2024 @ 10:00 a.m. at the church.

Delores Neal will bring refreshments. Wynona Batman will present the lesson.

Men’s Group

Thursday’s @ 11:30 a.m. @ Gunther Toody’s

Call Bob Morris (719-574-1566) for more information.

ALSO

United Methodist Men’s Breakfast and Meeting.

3rd Saturday of each month

Next Saturday: April 20th – Location to be announced.

...still at 9:30 AM.

Call Robert Rummel (719-596-4144) for more information.

Happy Birthday

APRIL

4 – Tyler Bosick
7 – Carole Zempel
8 – Bill Lee
9 – Chelsea Bosick
12 – Alex Gaines
15 – Luanne Cozad
15 – Vicki Sams
16 – Roger Day

16 – Dan Mark
16 – Norm Pechacek
16 – Saige Stephens
18 – Cindy Stoudt
20 – Natalie James
21 – Clem Malone
26 – Wayne Medina
28 – Meghan Brunnemer



Ernie and Janet Dunbar – April 29th

**May each of you be blessed
and held firmly in the light of God's presence.**

Rev. Deb



APRIL

2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 12-3 QUILTS OF LOVE	2 9:30 BIBLE STUDY 7 SCOUTS	3 6 GLEANING 6:30 OA SCOUTS 7 BELLS	4 6 GLEANING 10 NAOMI CIR 4 BOYER MEMORIAL SVC	5 6 GLEANING	6 7 GLEANING 9 COMFORT QUILTS 10-1 PARKINSON'S
7 8:45 CHOIR 10 WORSHIP 11:15 SUNDAY SCHOOL 1-4 GLEANING CHURCH 4 SCOUTS COURT OF HONOR	8 12-3 QUILTS OF LOVE	9 9:30 BIBLE STUDY 7 SCOUTS	10 6 GLEANING 7 BELLS	11 6 GLEANING 11 CARSON MEMORIAL SVC 6 CSQG	12 6 GLEANING 9:30 WORSHIP TEAM	13 7 GLEANING 8-12 EGA 9-3 CSQG WORKSHOP
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