



Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27

Holy Week was so amazing at Salina First. The kids do a great job leading off the week with the palm procession. Wednesday of Holy Week was the climactic end to Mid-Week Manna for the spring sessions. Thursday we experienced a Seder Meal and worshipped together in Fellowship Hall. On Good Friday we worshipped at a very moving joint UMC service at University UMC. Sunday was the icing on the cake, the day we celebrated Jesus' resurrection! It was powerful.

Yes, Holy Week and Easter are an amazing blessing. Just in case you are wondering, each of these events don't just happen on their own! From the music to the teaching to the preparation to the serving to the picking up and cleaning, it was a vivid reminder of how much we rely on our staff and volunteers! I'm not going to name names because there are TOO MANY (and of course, I'll inevitably leave someone out...), but we have been blessed with great people!

Holy Week brought it to the light, but on some scale, this is what happens every single week around here! I have to share that I personally am inspired as I witness people who come together as a team to make things happen at FUMC... to make things meaningful for everyone. First of all please join me with with a hearty "Thank you!" for our volunteers and staff. When you see someone helping out, even if it seems routine or you think (as a volunteer or staff) that they are just "doing their job," please express your appreciation. Here's the truth: At Salina First, we have some great leaders, helpers and pitcher-inners (...hey, it's a word now!).

Here's my take on the body of Christ, you should NOT have to serve on a committee to be part of the body! For some this seems unchurch-like, but for others it seems like common sense. My understanding of a healthy church committee is one who leads the body of Christ in ministry, not just one who does ministry for them (or to them). In every church I have served, this cliché holds true (at least close): "20% of the people do 80% of the work"! I see on the faces of even the most faithful servants, how carrying this load can be draining! Serving in the church should build up the body, not burn it out!

Also, I want to thank you for completing the time and talents sheets annually. We are trying to plug people in where we can! However, when we start publicizing upcoming events, we will be more diligent to offer opportunities for helping with ministries/programs in advance. This is an opportunity to pour yourself into an event or program and then move on to something else or take a breather and jump back in later. Where is God calling you to serve? How has God gifted you? Whether or not you can serve, please pray for the staff and volunteers serving in each ministry and those people to whom we will reach! Pray that we can flip the 80/20 ratio so we can build the kingdom of God and body of Christ will shine!

Serving with you in Jesus' name,

Pastor Eric



Our Staff



Rev. Eric D. Rook,
Pastor



Sandy Arcayan,
Business Administrator



Barbara Balseer,
Children's Ministries



Tyler Breneman,
Organist & Media Coordinator



Scott Jagodzinske,
Youth, Young Adults & Missions



Susan Winston
Children/Adult Activities & Parish Care



Calling all VBS Heroes!

Vacation Bible School will be July 10-14 so mark your calendars! Time will be 9am-noon. At VBS Hero Central, we will help our children discover their strength in God through Bible Stories, Missions, Crafts, Games, Science Activities, Music and LOTS OF FUN! Three will be special activities just for 4th and 5th graders. Contact Susan Winston to

sign up for a VBS Leadership or helper. Watch the bulletin for VBS Planning Meetings!

Summer Camp Registration

NOW is the time to register for summer camp! Camps fill up quickly so get signed up soon! Partial scholarships are available thanks to UMM, UMW & Children's Ministry Team. Turn in a copy of your camp registration and the FUMC Camp Scholarship Form to the church office by May 15. New this year: Scholarship money will be paid directly to the camp the week you go. If you are not requesting a scholarship, please turn in your registration to the office so we can coordinate transportation.

Camper's Name _____
Parent's Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Email _____
Camp Name _____ Date _____



Everyone is invited to join the Children's Ministry Team at the Oakdale Park Picnic Shelter (by the Eric Stein Stage) on Saturday, May 20th, to celebrate that School is Out! Bring a potluck dish to share. The picnic will run from 11 AM to 2 PM. The Children's Ministry Team will provide paper goods, plasticware, tea and water. Bring a friend, bring a fellow congregation member, and come and join us for a family-friendly day!



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April 2017 Meeting Minutes

The United Methodist Women(UMW) Executive Board and General Meetings were held on April 6, 2017. The Executive Board met at 10:45am to discuss a variety of business that included upcoming programs for our unit and events sponsored by our Salina District and the Great Plains Conference. Plans were discussed involving the **July 27, 2017 Noon Salad Luncheon. ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED.**

Following the Board Meeting, 28 UMW members gathered at 12:00 noon to enjoy delicious luncheon. Susan Winston, Journey in Faith, shared a devotion based on John 19, "Mary at the Cross" to open our meeting. After lunch, we listened to our speakers, retiring Director, Mary Sue Wells and incoming Director, Lindsey Huenefeld from the Sunflower Adult Day Center who presented interesting information about how the Center provides relief for the care-givers and a better day for the clients through a variety of activities based on the clients' needs and interests.

During the General Meeting, Jani Cott, president, presented a Ribbon for Missions to Barbara Houdek for her dedication and service to UMW (the ribbons are created by the UMW unit at the Topeka Correctional Facility); heard reports from Claudene Lassman, Journey in Learning from the UMW Response magazine about the 150th anniversary of UMW and Donna Marler, Journey in Action about articles of interest in the Salina Journal; Jani, Cott, president thanked everyone involved in the Spaghetti Supper, UMW's share of the profit was \$3,201.37 which will be used for local and worldwide mission giving; sang Happy Birthday to April birthdays and celebrated Dianne and Hugh Cairns' 59th anniversary; and collected pennies for our Pennies for Missions Jar. The meeting was adjourned as we sang, "Up From the Grave He Arose."

Save the Dates

May 4, 2017 ~ Luncheon and General Meeting at 12:00 noon.

June 22, 2017 ~ UMW Day Trip to tour UM Missions in Wichita. \$10.00 for transportation, plus the cost of lunch.

June 25, 2017 ~ First UMW Sunday; Rev. Delores "Dee" Williamston, Salina District Superintendent, Guest Speaker. 3 Special Recognition Pins & 1 Dedicated Light Pin will be awarded

July 16-20 ~ Mission U at KWU Studies for adults, youth and children.

Jani Cott, president, handed out information to Circle leaders

July 27, 2017 ~ 12:00 PM. Salad luncheon - All women invited

We invite all the women of our church to become a part of this vital organization.



Our Staff

Lyric Cairns
Handbell Choir Director &
Children's Choir Accompanist

Steve Griffin,
Kingdom's Call Director

Stacy Jagodzinske,
Children's Choir Director

Larry Johnson,
Custodian

Dennis Toews,
Adult Choir Director

Beth Wolsieffer, Childcare Giver

Nursery Attendants
Anlyn Arb,
Kyah Arcayan,
Lauren Eitel,
Dianna Geist,
Madeline Harris

Service Information

Traditional Worship
8:25 AM

Sunday School
9:40 AM

Contemporary Worship
11:00 AM

A Professionally Staffed
Nursery is located in Room 202,
just south of the Sanctuary.

Children ages 5 and under are
welcome!

Catch us on the Radio on KSAL
1150 AM at 11:00 AM on Sun-
day Mornings!

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

5/1	Amy Fay	5/20	Kristy Foster, Don Monasmith, Shirley Wilderman *Lori & Mike Chart
5/2	Brad Byquist, Leora James, David McDaniel *Kristina & David Litchman	5/21	Amanda Gutierrez, Ken Jennison, Joyce Marrs, Larry Marshall
5/3	Steve Ade, Gladys Boyce, Rex Matlack, Marcella Smoot *Elizabeth & Drew Wilson	5/22	Kelly Brown, Carly Redding *Gig & John Jones, *Janet & David Nease
5/4	Dianna Osborn	5/23	Linda Okeson
5/5	LillyAnn Wilson *Amy Pettle & Robert Beck	5/24	Lisa Augustine, Teresa Martin, Candy Siko *Delores & Harvey Kohr
5/6	Frankee Huiett,	5/25	Jean Ann Darrow, Emma Eller, Jere Gordon, Madi Helm, Chuck Leahy
5/7	Julia Lankhorst, Jerry A. Scott *Diane & Randy Shandy	5/26	Bruce Burmaster *Dawn & Tim Brady, *Judy & Rick Hammon, *Charyl & Mark Zier
5/8	Kholi Bird, Darla Simpson, Janice Stanton *Frankee & Tom Huiett	5/27	Jo Kraus, Susan Lueth, Steve Pinkall
5/9	Clay Bridge, Keith Lassman, Jody Nutter, Collin Rook	5/28	Janet Nease, Bev Olson, Jarod Simpson *Sarah & Chris Murphy
5/10	Whitney Vogan *Teresa & Tom Martin, *Melinda & Marc Taddiken	5/29	Caroline Fields, Eli Rider *Janie & Timothy Hicks
5/11	Steve Griffin	5/30	Suzanne Wilbur *Sue & Don Jordan, *Jessica & Aaron Martin
5/12	Jessica Martin	5/31	Linda McClaskey *Katie & Peter Anderson, *Abby & Jason Collins *Donna & Loren Marler
5/13	Kent Fellers, Judy Hammon, Cadence Langley Maddison Shriver		
5/14	Anlyn Arb *Dona & John Irwin		
5/15	Marie Scott, Steve Wilderman		
5/17	Raquel Fuentes-Fritz, Jason Gordon, Neola O'Neal *Angela & Daniel Botz, *Kathi & Mark Mitchell		
5/18	Carol Sheppard		
5/19	Bryan Anderson, Charleen Fekas, Tyler Martinez, Bryant Stateham, Bill Strait, *Cassandra & Daren Storer		

*** Denotes an Anniversary**

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