

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 16, 2017 / Easter Sunday

- 8:10 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Coffee - Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Easter Brunch - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Service

Monday, April 17, 2017

Hosting Ride for World Health overnight

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Pack/Troop 47

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

- 9:30 a.m. Coffee with Pastor Nicole - Utopia
- 5:15 p.m. Church Council

Friday, April 21, 2017

- 6:00 p.m. Daisy Girl Scout Meeting

Sunday, April 23, 2017

- 8:10 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Coffee - Fellowship Hall
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Service
- 4:00 p.m. Movie Night

Monday, April 24, 2017

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Pack/Troop 47

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

- 6:30 p.m. PEO Meeting

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

- 9:30 a.m. Coffee with Pastor Nicole - Utopia
- 6:30 p.m. Choir

Friday, April 28, 2017

- 6:00 p.m. Daisy Girl Scout Meeting

Sunday, April 30, 2017

- 8:10 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Coffee - Fellowship Hall
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Service

Life in the Church

Notes from the pastor.

Easter

We celebrate Easter with excitement and joy! Children are excited to search for Easter eggs, a symbol of new life. Many adults remember the traditions which often include attending church in your best Easter clothes and sharing Easter dinner with family.

In church, we shout “Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!” with passion and gusto. We proclaim that Christ overcomes death! We are excited about our faith! It is a blessing for which I am thankful! We need a little excitement, passion, and gusto about our faith!

But what happens after the Easter candy is eaten, the table is cleared, and the Easter clothes are returned to the clothes hamper after church? What happens when Monday, then Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday roll around?

We have a choice as people of faith. We can proclaim a risen Christ and God’s power over sin and death on one Sunday a year and continue to live the rest of the year as though love didn’t win, God didn’t overcome, and Christ is still in the tomb. Or we can embrace Easter as people of faith, proclaiming it with our entire lives every day! It can become a living part of our words and actions, part of the fabric of our very beings.

We can continue to look for signs and symbols of new life every day. We can live and serve as those who have a God and Savior that overcomes brokenness, death and sin. We can participate in communities of faith in order to grow in faith and support one another on the journey.

Will you celebrate Easter for one day or with and through your entire life?

NOTES:

Children's Sunday School

Julie Thompson is organizing teachers for the children's Sunday School class. Please contact her if you are available to teach a Sunday.

Apr. 16 - Easter Apr. 23 - Cathy Thompson
Apr. 30 - Julie Thompson May 07 - TBA

Church Council Meeting

At our March 22nd Church Council meeting, items discussed included Sunday School classes, Holy Week/Easter, possible repair of the carillon, Vacation Bible School and stained glass window repair.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 19th at 5:15. Reports due to Pastor Nicole by April 12th.

Liturgists

The upcoming liturgists are:

Apr. 16 - Florene Carnes Apr. 23 - Carmen Winston
Apr. 30 - May 07 -

If you have a conflict with a date as they are added, please let Pastor Nicole know so a change can be made. Thank you for adding more voices to the ministry and worship at FUMC!

Congregational Care Ministry Seminar

Join Executive Pastor Karen Lampe, Pastor Wendy Lyons Chrostek and the entire Congregational Care team at Church of the Resurrection for the Congregational Care Ministry Seminar, scheduled for April 27-29.

The CCM Seminar is designed to train volunteers to become partners in ministry with pastors and staff to provide care for a congregation.

Come and learn best practices and standards of care from the Resurrection care team, based the resource developed by Executive Pastor Karen Lampe, "The Caring Congregation." This resource serves as a manual to guide pastors and churches to organize their congregations for care and equip volunteers to listen, visit, comfort and encourage congregants.

For more on the Seminar, go to <http://ccm.blogs.cor.org/>. Talk to Pastor Nicole if you might be interested in attending and exploring ways to begin this ministry at Coffeyville First UMC.

All Church Movie Night

On April 23rd, FUMC will have all church movie night in Fellowship Hall at 4:00. In honor of the opening of baseball season, the movie will be Angels in the Outfield. We will also enjoy pizza and popcorn. All are welcome!

Christian Men's Gathering

Christian men from across the conference will gather in Wichita at Calvary UMC on Saturday, April 29, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. Join them to hear Dan Schaffer, a founder of Promise Keepers and author of "Spiritual Fathers, Restoring the Reproductive Church" share a challenging message. See more information and register online at www.makethedifference.care, or find it at April 29 on the conference calendar www.greatplainsumc.org/events, or ask Pastor Nicole for a copy of the event flier. Jeremiah will drive a group to the event.