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Saturday, April 9

Scout Pine Wood Derby - WC

Sunday, April 10

Blood Pressure Checks - Comfort Room

8:30am Worship - Chapel

9:30am Sunday School

9:30am Youth Breakfast - WC

10:45am Worship - Sanctuary

4pm Confirmation - Gault Dining Room

5:30pm UMY

5pm Jubilation Ringers Practice

6pm Lenten Ecumenical Service - Presbyterian

Monday, April 11

6pm Cub Scouts - WC

7pm Stewardship Committee - Rm 101

Tuesday, April 12

9:30am Caring and Calling - Rm 101

4pm CUFF Planning Meeting - Episcopal Church

6:30pm Preschool Board - Preschool

Wednesday, April 13

2:30pm Live B.I.G.

5:30pm Live B.I.G. Celebration - Gault Chapel

6pm Finance - Rm 101

6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

7:30pm Men's Bible Study - Rm 202

Thursday, April 14

5:30pm CUFF Meal - Episcopal Church

7pm Staff Parish Relations - Rm 101

Saturday, April 16

UMW Spring District Meeting - Fredonia

Sunday, April 17 Palm Sunday

Food Basket Sunday

8:30am Worship - Chapel

9:30am Sunday School

9:30am Youth Breakfast - WC

10:45am Worship - Sanctuary

12 noon Youth Council - Gault Kitchen

4pm Confirmation - Gault Dining Room

5:30pm UMY

6pm Jubilation Ringers Practice

Monday, April 18

3:30pm Girl Scouts - WC

6pm Cub Scouts - WC

6pm Media Team - Rm 101

6pm Missions - Rm 107

7pm Council on Ministries - Rm 107

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Lenten Study: on the Mondays of Lent. Marcee Binder is leading the study entitled, "Hard to Dance With the Devil on Your Back by Ray Buckley." The study will continue for the next two Mondays, at noon in Gault Dining room.

Final Lenten Ecumenical Vesper Services

Three Marks of Lent: Repent, Fast, Forgive. The final service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church at 6pm. Mtr. Babock will bring the message and the topic will be "Forgive." Participating Churches: St. Andrew Catholic, Church of the Brethren, First Presbyterian; Epiphany Episcopal, First Methodist, First Christian



- April 17 **Palm Sunday.** The children will process in with palm branches.
- April 21 **Maundy Thursday** 6pm light supper, 7pm service and Jubilation Ringers.

- April 22nd, 2011 **Good Friday** Worship Service 7pm with Choir and a drama presentation presented by "The Seekers Class" called "The Trials of Jess Goodnuff"... this is a story about a young man named Jess Goodnuff, who was arrested for being 'just goodnuff'. Come out to this dramatic presentation as we prepare ourselves to reflect and remember why Christ came into this world for our sins.



- April 24, **Easter Sunday** Services 8:30am and 10:45 am will both be held in the main sanctuary upstairs.

The annual Easter Brunch and Easter egg hunt will begin at 9:30 am on Easter Morning. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy a delicious brunch followed by an Easter egg hunt for the kids beginning at about 10 am. It will be a wonderful opportunity for food and fellowship as we celebrate together the Resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Thank you...

• Ladies and Laughter Follow-up

The annual spring church women’s banquet was held on Wednesday, March 30. This year’s theme was “Ladies and Laughter”, and we shared a wonderful evening of fun, song, and laughter together!

The work and generosity of many people made the evening possible, and we want to publicly recognize and thank the following persons: Pastor Dee – music; Kathy Raub and Sandy Nelson – decorations; Rayma Bishir, Kirk Bruening, Eleanor Cude, Lee Knuth, Judith Lowdon, Ann Schwatken, Betty Wohltman – desserts; Vance Cain – chicken salad; Carole Farthing – grated carrots; Peggy Harlin and Sandra Craig – sandwich preparation; Randall Bishir, John Craig, Kenny Farmer, Walter Nelson, Craig Null, Scott Null, Galen Palmer, Tom Richardson, Joe Smith, Ron Schwatken – servers and clean up crew.

It was our privilege to serve as the planning and coordinating team for “Ladies and Laughter”.

We value the opportunity offered by these annual spring banquets to come together as women of First United Methodist Church and to enjoy and celebrate our Christian sisterhood!

Terri Bryant Cain, Sherry Epp, Jodi Hayse

• LOGOS Children’s Consignment Sale

What a sale! There was a steady stream of activity on Saturday at Wesley Center! There were many, many benefits to the community and to the church family that happened here. There was a total sales of \$12,617.00. That of course includes the seller’s 65%, the state’s (for sales tax) 8.55% and our 35%. We are very excited that of the 72 sellers we had 20 new sellers. That keeps us generating new sales! Over all we had very few problems and provided a great service to many in our community.

A special thanks goes out to the mission committee and all their help with set up on Wednesday and clean up on Saturday. Things would have been overwhelming without their help!

Linda Farmer, Live B.I.G. Coordinator



There are 19 Lilies left. Call the office 331-3840.

Easter Lilies will decorate our church and worship services on Easter Sunday, April 24. You can purchase one of these plants in memory or in honor of a family member or friend. A list of donors will be inserted in the worship bulletins. We have reserved fifty (50) lilies; and will not be able to purchase additional plants. Make your purchase today. The cost of each lily is \$10.

If you wish to take your plant home when we are finished with it, you may pick it up anytime after the 10:45 worship on Easter, April 24. Unless you contact the office, lilies left after noon on Monday, April 25 may be delivered to “First Time” visitors and/or homebound.

This year we are doing something a little different. We will have those who have purchased the lilies do a processional during the service. If you are not able to walk them down, please let us know so that we can find someone else to walk it down for you.

We uphold First United Methodist Church:

by our prayers...

- **Our prayers are with** Sandy and Bill Rollison and family at the death of their niece, Amy Steele.
- **Our prayers are with** Arlene Lester at the death of her Sister-in-law, Brenda Ross.
- **Hospitalized:** Connor King and Henrietta Taylor
- **Recovering away from home:** Lew Boys, Terry Killman (Wichita) and Jeannie Kurtz (Windsor Place)
- **Recovering at home:** Jim Brown (Home)
- **Also remember:** Irene Magill, Jamie Rathjen, Melissa Ruberson, Erica Schultz, and Dick and Phyllis Smith.
- **Military:** That they might be kept safe from all harm and used as instruments of peace.
- **Global concerns:** earthquake/tsunami victims in Japan; Haiti mission trip; our global missionaries.
- **Local and National:** our government leaders; community and school concerns.
- **To be included in prayer,** call the office, 331-3840; call Corky Sanford, 331-4750; place a prayer card in the prayer box or offering plate.

by our presence...

	March 20	March 27	April 3
Early Worship	37	53	54
Sunday School	72	87	82
Late Worship	125	175	156

Please welcome Independence area guests who registered last Sunday: Dan Castellanos; Cindy Couch; Judy Daugherty; Bill Gooldy; Karla, Nelda and Levi Kemp; Kristen Johnson; Stacie Powell; Rhylic Powell; and Christina Stapp.

by our gifts...

	March 20	March 27	April 3
General Budget	\$ 6,805	\$ 3,868	\$ 6,936

Designated Gifts

	Goal	YTD
• Pastors Discretionary	\$ 3,800	1285
• TV Ministry	3,600	490
• FAST Program	1,500	220
• Independence Food Basket		230
• Home Sweet Home Homeless	800	70
• Haiti Mission		855
• One Great Hour of Sharing		42



Bridges to the Future — Capital improvement campaign for the Kansas East Conference. We have begun the fourth year of five to raise \$5.3 million. FUMC’s goal is \$43,000. We have received in 2011 - \$615. Total gifts received to date - \$34,941.

Lectionary Readings for Holy Week



Lectionary
Year A

- **April 17 — Passion/Palm Sunday**
[Red/Scarlet or Purple] Sixth Sunday in Lent
Liturgy of the Palms
Matthew 21:1–11
Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29 (UMH 839)
Liturgy of the Passion
Isaiah 50:4–9a
Psalm 31:9–16 (UMH 764)
Philippians 2:5–11
Matthew 26:14–27:66 or Matthew 27:11–54
- **April 18 — Monday of Holy Week**
[Red/Scarlet or Purple]
Isaiah 42:1–9
Psalm 36:5–11 (UMH 771)
Hebrews 9:11–15
John 12:1–11
- **April 19 — Tuesday of Holy Week**
[Red/Scarlet or Purple]
Isaiah 49:1–7
Psalm 71:1–14 (UMH 794)
1 Corinthians 1:18–31
John 12:20–36
- **April 20 — Wednesday of Holy Week**
[Red/Scarlet or Purple]
Isaiah 50:4–9a
Psalm 70 (UMH 793)
Hebrews 12:1–3
John 13:21–32
- **April 21 — Holy Thursday**
[Red/Scarlet or Purple]
Exodus 12:1–4 (5–10) 11–14
Psalm 116:1–4, 12–19 (UMH 837)
1 Corinthians 11:23–26
John 13:1–17, 31b–35
- **April 22 — Good Friday**
[No Color]
Isaiah 52:13–53:12
Psalm 22 (UMH 752)
Hebrews 10:16–25
John 18:1–19:42

- **April 23 — Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil**
[White/Gold]
The number of readings may vary, but Exodus 14 and at least two other readings from the Old Testament should be used in addition to the New Testament readings.

Old Testament Readings and Psalms/Canticles

Genesis 1:1–2:4a
Psalm 136:1–9, 23–26 or Psalm 33 (UMH 767)
Genesis 7:1–5, 11–18; 8:6–18; 9:8–13
Psalm 46 (UMH 780)
Genesis 22:1–18
Psalm 16 (UMH 748)
Exodus 14:10–31; 15:20–21
Exodus 15:1b–13, 17–18 (UMH 135)
Isaiah 55:1–11
Isaiah 12:2–6
Ezekiel 36:24–28
Psalm 42 (UMH 777)
Ezekiel 37:1–14
Psalm 143 (UMH 856)

Second Reading and Psalm

Romans 6:3–11
Psalm 114 (UMH 835)

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:1–10

- **April 24 — Easter Sunday**
[White or Gold]
Acts 10:34–43
Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24 (UMH 839)
Colossians 3:1–4
John 20:1–18 or Matthew 28:1–10



Friends, Family and Fun Night Sundae(s) on Wednesday

LIVE B.I.G. will conclude with our fun night on April 13 at 5:30 in Gault Chapel.

We would like to have all our friends and families join us.

We will sing some songs and play the chimes for your entertainment.

Then everyone is invited to enjoy sundaes in Gault dining room.

LIVE B.I.G. will begin as usual and then our families & friends can join us at 5:30.

This will be our LAST LIVE B.I.G. for this school year.

We have appreciated all your help & support this year and hope to see you in the fall!

You are invited...

- **Community Access Center invites you to join them for an Open House** and celebrate the opening of the new community center. Friday, April 15, from 10am to 1pm. 315 West Sycamore — Independence. “A place of care and hope where people are served and serve others.”
- **Mercy Hospital Auxiliary Fund Raising Sale.** Tuesday, April 12, from 10am to 7pm and Wednesday, April 13, from 8am to 2pm. Located in the Mercy Hospital Round Tower at 800 West Myrtle Street. The sale benefits special needs or projects at Mercy Hospital and provides scholarships for students. Take home a surprise. Select inexpensive gifts for Mothers Day, Graduation and Fathers Day. Products for women, men, boys, and girls. Great values on items such as rings, watches, bracelets, scarves, ties, sunglasses, belts, earrings, cuff links, purses, wallets, totes reading glasses, pendants, chains, seasonal accessories, gadgets, and much more.

Pastoral Care



It is important that you let us know when you have been admitted to the hospital. The hospital cannot without your specific request. Please do not assume that we know. Pastor Dee wishes to provide Pastoral Care for you but cannot do so, without knowing it is needed.

Offering Envelopes



Please take the time to fill out your envelopes. Remember if you don't, we have to. It only takes you a moment to fill one out. When the counters have to fill out several, it makes the time they are volunteering to count a lot longer.



Dishes are beginning to accumulate again. Please pick up your dishes and take them home.

Needed: We are looking for a good “used” refrigerator for our flower room. Fresh Flowers and food cannot be stored in the same fridge, because it will make the flowers wilt. We often have flowers left from funerals or other special occasions to put out on the Altar on Sundays. The fridge that used to be in the flower room has gone bad. If you are replacing your home refrigerator or have one that you do not use, please consider gifting one to the church.