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April 2022 Newsletter

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This month's Newsletter is special.

It is a shortened version,
since we are mailing it out,
along with offering envelopes
for April, May, and June.

It's the same great information as usual,
just fewer pictures (to save space)!

It will still be emailed out
for those of you who want an online copy.



Easter is April 17



Dear Lord, we celebrate you this day. We rejoice because you have risen from the grave. You are alive! You defeated sin and death. By your stripes we are healed. Through your death, we find redemption and new life. Because of your great love and sacrifice, we can have salvation and eternal life. We praise you for who you are and for all you've done. We thank you that we have a Risen Savior in whose name we can pray. Amen

JUMC Office Hours - Mondays thru Thursdays from 8:00 to 11:00.

April Events

April 7

UMW meets at 1:00

April 10 - Palm Sunday

UMCOR Sunday
Procession of Palms
Sunday School Kids Singing
during 10:30 Worship

April 14 - Holy Thursday

Z-Team meets at 1:00
6:00 Supper / 6:30 Worship at Messiah

April 15 - Good Friday

April 17 - Easter Sunday

Live Flower Easter Cross
Sunday School & Confirmands
serving Easter Breakfast at 9:00
Worship at 10:30

April 24 - Confirmation Sunday

Rev. Fred Lewis will be officiating
with a reception following worship

Confirmation Update

We want to wish the best for our
Confirmands and congratulate
them on a Job Well Done.

Grady Barr
Caelen Coffman
Kole Haan
Rylee Johnson

We pray that your confirmation
will be a step toward each one of
you becoming an active member
of the church you are now
joining.

Reminder - Many churches in the
area will have online worship
services for Holy Week.



Please remember to bring some fresh/cut
flowers with you on Easter Sunday to help
us decorate our cross and celebrate the
Resurrection of Jesus!

Volunteers for April

Liturgists in April

April 3
Brad Ruth

April 10
Confirmand

April 17
Confirmand

April 24
Gary Shaulis

Guest Speakers in April

April 3
Rev. Jan Burnett

April 10
Rev. Jan Burnett

April 17
Shawna Brimm

April 24
Rev. Fred Lewis

Ushers in April

April 3
Brad Ruth

April 10
Dick & Karen Funk

April 17
Dave Beenblossom

April 24
Gary Shaulis

April Birthdays

Bradley Woeste	4/1
Sarah Brown	4/4
Andrew Eibey	4/4
Jim Hamlyn	4/6
Joni Clemens	4/10
Carter Herbst	4/10
Seth Reid	4/11
Weylon Heiser	4/11
Mindy Yochum	4/13
Cadence Coffman	4/19
Daniel VerSteege	4/19
Michael Baldwin	4/20
Mackenzie Carlisle	4/21
Emma Baker	4/21
Marileigh Fisher	4/21
Natalie Brace	4/22
Albert McFadden	4/22
Grace Cornish	4/23
Zach Dobbs	4/26
Isabel Barnes	4/26
Patricia Yochum	4/27
Sydney Johnson	4/28
Morgan Charley	4/29

April Anniversaries

Matt & Amy Shook	4/11
Del & Margaret Shepard	4/19
Trevor & Jenna Lafrentz	4/23
Thomas & Christena Charley	4/24

Lolita Huber's New Address:
2221 Fairway Lane
Waterloo Iowa 50701



Pastor Laurie
Riley will be
joining us in July.



One Great Hour of Sharing is now called **UMCOR Sunday**. As in the past, the donations cover the administrative costs of running UMCOR. This allows 100% of other money donated to UMCOR to go to the specified cause. Special envelopes will be in the bulletin on **Palm Sunday, April 10th**. Checks can also be dropped off in the church office or mailed. Please make your check out to the church and put "UMCOR Sunday" in the memo part of your check.

Thank you,
Missions Committee

The Missions Committee has collected **\$375** (to date) for the Northeast Iowa Food Bank. All donations made in March and April will be given a \$1 for \$1 match to make your donations go even further.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity. It is still not too late for you to donate and get the match!

The Confirmation Class Project collected and purchased **\$345** worth of school supplies for the JUMC Sunday School and the Janesville Middle School.

Thank you all for your generosity and for helping to make this worthwhile project such a great success!



The Missions Committee is continuing to collect donations to help support UMCOR's disaster relief efforts for the people in Iowa who were affected by the tornados and for the people of Ukraine.

If you would like to donate, please make your check out to the church (JUMC) and specify in the memo portion where you would like your money to go.

Remember - 100% of your donation goes to the relief efforts.

In Our Prayers

Please pray for our Shepherds and those who are served by them:

Flo Shepard
Marlys Cook
De & Carol Dix
Georgia Eibey
Marilyn Taylor
Harriet Schares
Lois Boeck
Lorraine Hallberg
Lolita Huber
Lavonne Dorman
Char Brickman
Betty Betsinger

Please keep them in your prayers:

Wendy Brace
Sandy Laube
Johnny & Esther Folkerds
Velma Rice & her family
Nancy Osborn



Shepherds Update

Do you have what it takes to be a Shepherd? Of course you do!!

The list of people to visit gets longer all the time, so any volunteers to help would be greatly appreciated. If you would like more information or lists and schedules, contact the church office or Janet Destival.

The Z-Team will be meeting on April 14 at 1:00. They will be planning a reception for Confirmation Sunday and begin to make plans on welcoming new members to the team.

This team has become an integral part of our church's well-being. They discuss, plan, and implement activities and ideas to help our church strengthen and grow.

Unfortunately, the team is down to only 5 members (Janet D, Jean E, Barb H, Virginia R, and Rita R), and they will be reaching out to ask for volunteers to join. Please consider joining the team!

UMW Mission Kits

For those who wish to donate items for Mission Kits there will be lists of items that can be purchased and donated for these kits.

These lists can be found by the front door of the church or in the hallway in front of the church offices (or you can contact the church for a list).

UMW News

The March UMW meeting was called to order on Thursday, March 3rd at 1:00 p.m. in Court Chapel. Eleven members were present. Members recited the UMW Purpose.

Rebecca Circle gave devotions on "Sharing the Story of God". A true story was shared as a real example that God really does perform miracles. The Response Moment was from the Jan/Feb magazine about articles on Everyday Injustice and Pledges to Missions.

Prayer concerns were shared for church members and the Prayer Calendar

A thank-you from Friends of the Family for our Christmas donations and a letter from the Janesville After Prom Committee were shared.

It was decided to issue checks for Dollars for Scholars and After Prom in February instead of November to be more timely for their fundraisers and avoid prolonged delays in checks clearing.

There were no officer reports. Several cards were sent to members.

Esther, Mary Deborah and Rebecca Circles met. Naomi Circle were in contact by phone.

The quilters are continuing to hand quilt the winter scene throw at home. A train throw has been pieced and they are ready to teach two new members how to hand quilt. The remaining items donated by the Huber family have been sorted and the Janesville Library plans to use them for an upcoming raffle at the Spring Garage Sale event. The quilters added an additional quilt set from their projects. Several child sized throws were donated to Friends of the Family.

Applications were submitted for a \$700 PEC grant to be used for our year end giving and a \$300 grant for supplies for fundraising events again for this year. The Mission Committee applied for a grant for shipping costs for mission kits.

A motion carried to donate \$25 to the UMW Legacy Fund.

It was decided to not host a May Breakfast again this year with the current virus issues.

Members viewed multiple video clips from Midwest Mission Distribution Center about how they operate. New mission kit instruction sheets were distributed.

Our next meeting will be April 7th . Mary Deborah Circle will be in charge of devotions and the Response Moment. Naomi Circle will hostess.