



ALPHA

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 2019

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST, TRANSFORMING OUR COMMUNITY
ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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Greetings friends,

After such a harsh winter this year, I am relieved that spring has finally arrived. I have been contemplating and praying about the season of spring in the life of our church. I found three comforting scripture passages that compare God's faithfulness with the arrival of spring. I hope that these springtime promises of God will bless you as they have blessed me. I invite you to pray them daily this April.

Psalm 85:8-13(NRSV)

- 8** Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.
- 9** Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10** Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.
- 11** Faithfulness will **spring** up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.
- 12** The Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13** Righteousness will go before him,
and will make a path for his steps.

Isaiah 44:3-5 (NRSV)

- 3** For I will pour water on the thirsty land,
and streams on the dry ground;
I will pour my spirit upon your descendants,
and my blessing on your offspring.
- 4** They shall **spring** up like a green tamarisk,
like willows by flowing streams.
- 5** This one will say, "I am the Lord's,"
another will be called by the name of Jacob,
yet another will write on the hand, "The Lord's,"
and adopt the name of Israel.

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Hosea 6:1-3(NRSV)

A Call to Repentance

- 6** “Come, let us return to the Lord;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
- 2** After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
- 3** Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the **spring** rains that water the earth.”

Indeed on the third day, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was resurrected from the dead by the Holy Spirit. God will revive his children and raise us up to live before him in Christ's resurrection. May we as a church press on to know the LORD and await his coming like the spring rains!

Christ transforms our lives so our community can thrive.

Pastor Zack



Administrative Council 2019

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Secretary's Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

9:00am - 1:00pm

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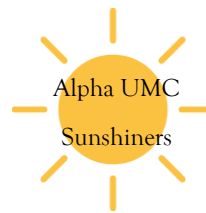
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Sunday, April 28

7:00am

All men welcome!



Sunshiners will meet

Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:45pm.

This month's program will be presented by Master Gardeners. All ladies are welcome to come to this informative program to learn about plants and flowers.

Program: Julie Cole (Master Gardeners)

Devotions: Karen Schultz

Refreshments: Lindi Kernan/Linda Lanning



Monday, April 22

Men's Retreat

Men, mark your calendars for Saturday, April 13th for a 9am-2pm men's retreat at Camp Milan hosted by the IRON MEN ministry of East Moline/Silvis Christ United Methodist Church. Our men are invited to join them for a great time of food, fellowship and prayer with inspiring talks from motivational speakers: Marty Ellison and Zack Glenn.



April Worship Volunteer Schedule

April Ushers: Eddie & Emily Bradshaw

April 7

Liturgist: Dale Lanning
 Children's Moment: Roger Swanson
 Nursery Assistant: Need Volunteer
 Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd
 Accompanist: Tia Topoluk

April 14

Liturgist: Dean Kernan
 Children's Moment: Angie Althaus
 Nursery Assistant: Need Volunteer
 Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

April 21

Liturgist: Bob Bateman
 Children's Moment: Dale Lanning
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April Birthdays

- 02: Dennis Gillette
- 09: Kelby Lanning
- 12: Karen Pfeiffer
- 14: Lindsy Brooks
Shannon Cremeens
- 15: Morgan Britt
Renee Young
- 18: Judy Barton
Marcy Kuhn
- 22: Seth Thompson
- 24: Joseph Shepherd
- 25: Kaci Bedford
Dean Kernan



April Anniversaries

- 02: Bob & Jan Bateman
- 03: Gary & Judy Barton
- 10: Kurt & Cathy Jordan
- 26: Dave & Linda Lambin



April Coffee Hour Hosts



- 07: Outreach
- 14: Rich & Jamie Coffey
- 21: Dale & Linda Lanning
- 28: Dean & Lindi Kernan

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday - Regular worship schedule

Maundy Thursday - 6:30pm service with desserts following

Good Friday - TBD

Easter Sunday - Regular worship schedule with choir performance



Easter Choir

We are looking for voices to join our Easter choir to sing on April 21. We will practice **after church** on **March 31, April 7 & April 14**. We would love to have you join us. Any questions, please see Linda Lanning.



College Boxes



The Nurture Team will be sending college boxes to our college students as they prepare for finals. Donations of snacks are needed.

Please pick up a couple of snack items next time you're at the store and drop them off in the box in the fellowship hall.



EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

*DUE TO LINDA LANNING
On or before April 7, 2019
{Can put in offering plate}*

Due to the lateness of the Easter holiday, the tulips, hyacinth & daffodils will no longer be blooming. Therefore, this order form is only for mums. They will be assorted colors and will be \$12 each.

How you would like it printed in the bulletin:

_____ *Given in memory*

or

_____ *Given to the Glory of God in honor of:*

Given by:

If you want to order something other than a mum, you can bring in fresh flowers or a plant of your choice. Just have it to the church before Easter Sunday & let Desirae know how you would like it listed in the bulletin by April 14. (Remember, no Easter lilies)





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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 7:00pm Boy Scouts Pastor on vacation thru 4/12	2	3 6:30pm Cub Scouts 6:45pm Sunshiners	4 Women's Walk to Emmaus thru Sunday	5 Pastor's Sabbath	6
7 Choir Practice following worship	8 7:00pm Boy Scouts	9	10 6:30pm Cub Scouts	11	12 Pastor's Sabbath	13 Men's Retreat Camp Milan 9:00am— 2:00pm
14 Palm Sunday Choir practice following worship	15 7:00pm Boy Scouts	16	17 6:30pm Cub Scouts	18 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service	19 Good Friday Pastor's Sabbath	20
21 Easter Sunday 	22 Newsletter Deadline	23	24 6:30pm Cub Scouts	25	26 Pastor's Sabbath	27
28 7:00am Men in Mission Breakfast	29 7:00pm Boy Scouts	30				

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Sunday Schedule:

9:00 A.M. All Sunday School Classes Begin

9:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

10:00 A.M. Worship Service



Have you visited our website?
Dean Kernan is the creator and manager of our website.
Our Web address is alphaumc.org



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