

# AUMC

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CATCH THE SPIRIT  
ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
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**There was a woman at work when she received a phone call that her daughter was very sick with a fever. She left work and stopped by the pharmacy to get some medication for her daughter.**

**She returned to her car to find that she had locked the keys inside the car when she went into the pharmacy and was now unable to get into her car to drive home.**

**She didn't know what to do and started to panic, so she called home and told the baby sitter what had happened and that she did not know what to do. The baby sitter told her to find a coat hanger and see if that would open the door.**

**The woman looked around and found an old rusty coat hanger that had been thrown down on the ground, possibly by someone else who also had locked their keys in their car. Then she looked at the hanger and said, "I don't know how to use this." So she bowed her head and asked God to send her some help.**

**In so doing, she obeyed the command to never stop praying.  
Do you think God would reward her for that?**

**Within five minutes a motorcycle roared up and pulled into the parking space next to her car. A rough, dirty-looking biker got off and saw her situation. He asked if he could help her. The woman thought, "This is what you sent to help me, God?"**

**She finally told him yes, as she needed to hurry and get home to her sick daughter. He walked over to the car, and in less than one minute the car was opened. She hugged the man and through her tears she said, "Thank you so much! You are such a nice man."**

**The man replied; "No, I'm not, Lady. I just got out of prison for car theft." The woman hugged the man again and with sobbing tears cried out to God, "You even sent me a professional."**

**Professionals are all around us in all walks of life. God blesses us with opportunities to use life experiences to better the lives of others each day.**

**No matter your career paths or your lot in life we all have experience in different fields. God wants us to utilize these life – paths to better serve others each day.**

***We know that God works all things together for good for the ones who love God,  
for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 CEB***

**Serving with you, Pastor Terry**

**Church Council  
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**Outreach Chair:** Lindi Kernan

**Worship Chair:** Cathy Jordan

**Recording Secretary:** Linds  
Brooks

**Annual Conference Delegate:**  
Lindi Kernan

**Pastor:** Terry Evans

## Batteries Feeling Drained

Looking for an exciting new way to help you get through the week.

Are you sometimes feeling a little run down from all the hectic schedules that you're trying to keep?

Mark your calendars NOW, each month we will be having a midweek

recharge service on the third Wednesday night at 6:30p.m.

The service will consist of dynamic and uplifting contemporary Christian music, Uplifting presentation of the scriptures, and fantastic fellowship.



You are cordially invited to a 98th birthday open house for

Irene Bodeen on  
Sunday, April 13, 2014.

We will be gathering at Brownsboro Park Retirement Community, 2960 Goose Creek Rd., Louisville, KY 40241, from 2-5 p.m.

No gifts please. If you can't attend please send a card to Irene or email to dianef5242@gmail.com.

Diane Fairfield

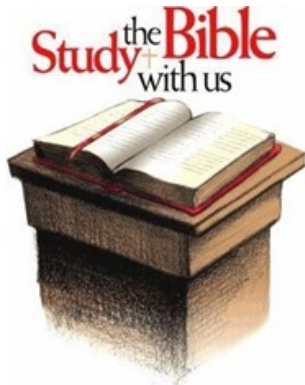
April 3, 2014 - "School colors night" - wear your school colors and show us your school pride!!

April 10, 2014 - "BARF night" -Be A Real Friend and bring a friend to Awana!

April 17, 2014 - No Awana.

April 24, 2014 - End of the year PARTY!!! Shop in the Awana store, and come prepared to have a good time. Parents are encouraged to attend this year end celebration. Come and introduce your parents to your leader and the other Awana staff. There will be goodies for everyone!!!!

## We Have a Place for You



Sunday Night's Bible Study at 6:00 p.m.  
We take a look at the scriptures with open eyes and everyone is encouraged to attend. No matter if you are biblical scholar or new to the scriptures stop by and give us a try, we would love to have you join us.

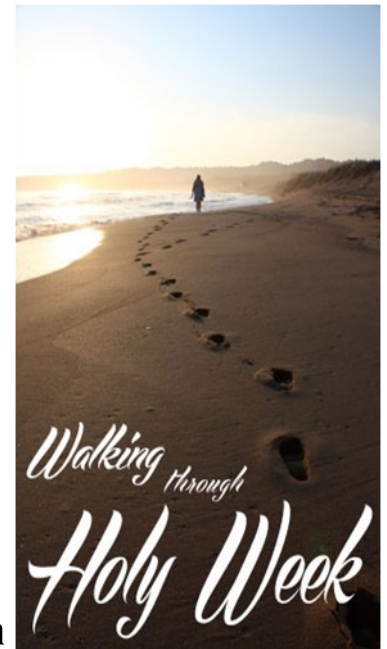
## Holy Week Schedule

**Re-charge Wednesday**; April 16 @ 6:00 p.m. Make plans to attend our monthly contemporary service and prepare yourself for Holy Week.

**Holy Thursday** April 17; Dinner will be provided at 6:00 p.m. Service will be at 7:00 p.m. where we will be celebrating Holy Communion.

**Good Friday** April 18; Community Ecumenical Service. Hosted by Maranatha Chapel 7:00 p.m. Enjoy a night of praise and worship, special singers, and community fellowship

**Easter Sunday** April 20; our service will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. We would love to have your family and friends join us for worship.



A box for donations for the college boxes will soon be set out in the fellowship hall. The first part of April we will start collecting snacks like cookies, crackers, candy, fruit snacks, popcorn and other goodies. Our college kids will be getting ready for finals soon so we will be mailing the boxes by May 1st. Please remember them while you are shopping. Thanks, Nurture Team



SUMMER CAMP SEASON is almost here!

There are several CHURCH Camps you may want to attend.

There are different types of camp from mom and me to advance camping.

For a link to see an online camp guide see Deb Briggs or Cathy Jordan.



## LGLS NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

We will be participating in an United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) mission project. We will be collecting items to make UMCOR Sewing Kits. On May 25th we will assemble the Sewing Kits during Sunday School. The completed Kits will be mailed to UMCOR and they will send them all over the world, where needed.



### Here is a list of what we will be collecting:

- \***3 continuous yards of fabric** (cotton or cotton blend only-- no patriotic, religious, holiday, camouflage or military patterned fabric please)
- \***1 pair scissors** (fabric scissors only)
- \***1 package needles** (hand needles in original packaging only)
- \***1 spool thread** (medium to large spool, no travel kit thread please)
- \***1 package of 5 to 8 buttons** (no loose buttons, leave in original package)
- \***1 plastic bag** ( one gallon size sealable bags only)

**You may also donate money towards the shipping expenses or for the committee to purchase more items**



Please watch for sales and help us make several Sewing Kits. A box will be put in the fellowship hall in April to put your items in.

Questions contact Deb Briggs **Thank You for supporting us with our mission!**



Coming in May.....

Saturday May 3rd

Outreach and Sunshiner's will be hosting a community baby shower to support the ministry of

Pregnancy Resources in Moline.

There will be information available about the ministry as well. Clothing up to 2T, socks, baby bottles, pacifiers, small infant toys and all sizes of diapers can be donated.

Men In Mission will be serving brunch.

This will be a community shower so tell your friends and ask them to join you in supporting the ministry.

## Vacation Bible School 2014

**June 9-13**  
**9am to noon**  
**at Alpha UMC**

**Alpha UMC,  
Maranatha Chapel,  
Alpha Baptist Church and  
Harvest Bible Chapel - Woodhull  
Community VBS**



**Ages Pre-K through 6th grade**

**Pastor Terry is our Zoo Keeper!!!!!!**

**Will be collecting: Paper towels,  
hand sanitizer, Clorox wipes, napkins,  
disposable cups, ziploc bags  
and small paper plates**

**Volunteers needed - next planning meeting is  
Monday, April 7th at 6:30pm at Alpha UMC.**

**Please come if you are wanting to help or help with planning VBS.**



### **Outreach Information**

**Community meal - April 5 from 5-7.**

**Need cooks and desserts.**

**Contact Lindi Kernan if you can help.**

**Humility of Mary - April 22. Leave church at 4:15.**

**Need desserts, coffee, styrofoam cups, sugar and  
creamer packets.**

**See Lindi if interested in helping cook or  
would like to go.**

**It is a wonderful time and we are usually back by  
6:30. All ages welcome.**





Kurt Jordan & Dave Lambin

**April Liturgists:** 6th: Sarah Vordtriede-Patton      13th: Ian Yoder  
 20th: Eddie Bradshaw      27th: David Althaus

April Birthdays:

- 02: Dennis Gillette
- 03: Katy Schmitt
- 06: Taylor Brooks
- 09: Kelby Lanning
- 14: Shannon Cremeens  
Lindsay Brooks
- 15: Morgyn Britt  
Renee Young
- 22: Seth Thompson  
Leon Sardi
- 25: Dean Kernan  
Kaci Bedford

Sunshiners

Wed, Apr 2nd at 6:45pm  
 Sharing: Julie Cole  
 Snack: Ruby Naslund  
 Devotions: Lindi Kernan

NewsLetter  
**DEADLINE**

**April 22nd**



**Community  
 Dinner  
 April 5th**

**Mission Meal  
 April 13th**

April Anniversaries:

- 03: Gary & Judy Barton
- 10: Kurt & Cathy Jordan
- 26: Dave & Linda Lambin

April Host & Hostess

- 06: Outreach
- 13:
- 20:
- 27:

Humility of Mary

April 22nd @ 4:15

[alphaumc.org](http://alphaumc.org)

Be sure to check out the church website!  
 There have been many updates done to meet the needs of  
 our church family and community.  
 Please contact Lindsay Brooks if you want anything added to it!

# APRIL 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 6:30pm Worship Team	2 6:45pm Sunshiners  6:30pm Cub Scouts	3  AWANA "School Colors Night" 6:30-7:30pm	4	5 <u>5:00-7:00pm</u> <u>Free Dinner</u> 9am-3pm Women's Retreat Aledo
6  6:00pm Adult Study	7 6:30pm VBS mtg  6:30pm Boy Scouts	8 7:00pm Finance Mtg	9	10 1:30pm UMW Ann Enstrom's  AWANA "BARF Night" 6:30-7:30pm	11	12
13 <u>Palm Sunday</u> Mission Meal After Worship  6:00pm Adult Study	14  6:30pm Boy Scouts	15  7:00pm Church Council	16  6:30pm Recharge Service	17 <u>Holy Thursday</u> 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm Service  NO AWANA 6:30-7:30pm	18 <u>Good Friday</u> 7:00pm @ Maranatha	19
20  HAPPY EASTER! 	21  6:30pm Boy Scouts	22  Humility of Mary 4:15pm  <u>Newsletter Deadline</u>	23	24  AWANA End of Year Party 6:30-7:30pm	25	26
27 7:00am Men in Mission  5:30 pm Youth Group	28  6:30pm Boy Scouts	29	30			

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

## ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Terry Evans, Pastor

### Sunday Schedule:

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

10:00 A.M. Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 A.M. Worship Service



Have you visited our new Web site?  
Lindi Brooks is the creator and manager of our Website.  
Our Web address is [alphaumc.org](http://alphaumc.org)



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