



ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Happy April! The grass is getting green, some flowers are blooming, and the days are getting longer. Spring is here!

I would like to say thank you to everyone for all of the prayers, phone calls, texts, and words of encouragement during the past couple of months, as I have been in and out of the hospital. They mean so much. The doctors now believe they know what is causing the problem, and I am scheduled to have surgery on April 25th. Hopefully, this will take care of the problem once and for all!

I am looking forward to May— Mother's Day, graduations, and hopefully feeling much better!

And looking even further ahead to June...We will be having a joint service with our sister church, Faith UMC at 11AM on June 2nd at Faith. There will be a meal following the service.

Blessings,

Pastor Karna



Church Council

Council Chair: Lindi Kernan
 Treasurer: Parris Silvis
 Financial Secretary: Linda Lanning
 Trustees: Ian Yoder
 S/PPRC: David Althaus
 Nurture/Outreach: TBD
 Christian Education: TBD
 Men in Mission: Dean Kernan
 Lay Leader: Lindi Kernan
 Recording Secretary: Desirae Silvis

Next Council Meeting:
TBD

Church Office Hours

9AM - 1PM— Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

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Let's Celebrate!

April Birthdays

09: Kelby Lanning
 12: Karen Pfeiffer
 14: Lindsy Brooks
 14: Shannon Cremeens
 25: Kaci Curry
 25: Dean Kernan

April Anniversaries

02: Bob & Jan Bateman
 03: Gary & Judy Barton
 26: Dave & Linda Lambin



It Is Well With My Soul



Join Us !

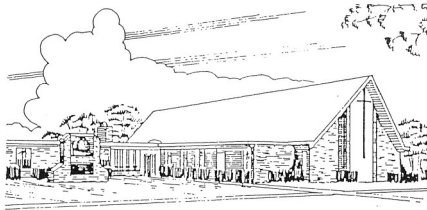
Sunday Schedule

8:45AM - Coffee Hour

9:30AM - Worship

Prayer Group

9:15AM Wednesdays



April Worship Volunteers

April 7

Liturgist: David Althaus

Children's Moment: Dale Lanning

Ushers: Sadie Carlson & Kurt Jordan

April 14

Liturgist: Roger Swanson

Children's Moment: Pastor Karna

Ushers: Erica Thorstenson & Devin Reed

April 21

Liturgist: Dale Lanning

Children's Moment: Lindi Kernan

Ushers: Silvis Family

April 28

Liturgist: Sadie Carlson

Children's Moment: Angie Althaus

Ushers: Brooks Family

Thank You Volunteers!

We are always looking for more Sunday morning volunteers.

Please contact the church office if you can help out.



Are You Being Called to Serve?

We are all blessed with gifts from God, and these gifts can be used to serve your church. We are short on volunteers in many areas right now, and maybe you are the one God is calling to step in and help out. So think about it, pray about it, and let Pastor Karna know if you have any questions about helping in any of the following areas:

- ~Nurture/Outreach Committee Chair
- ~Children’s Sunday School
- ~Liturgist
- ~Usher
- ~Children’s Moment



Give Poverty *The Boot*



Did you know that it is very common for a young child in Guatemala to walk over an hour to school? You combine that long walk with treacherous dirt paths that turn quickly to mud in the regular afternoon rain and it is a terrible experience for a young child.

Without proper footwear, this journey becomes not only challenging but also dangerous. The consequences of not having these boots are far-reaching — from hookworms to colds and other infections; this leads to absenteeism from class.

Imagine the joy on a child’s face when they receive a beautiful pair of boots. With the support of churches, ACF hopes to provide 2,000 children with boots in 2024. At \$15 a pair, it is a very small price to pay for a big change in a child’s life.

Alpha UMC will be collecting money to donate to the Give Poverty the Boot campaign from now through May. If you would like to contribute, just put your cash or check in the boot in the fellowship hall by April 30. Please contact Angie Althaus with any questions.



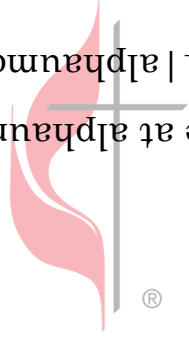


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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 6:30PM Scouts	2	3 9:15AM Prayer Group	4 12:00PM Backpack Bags	5	6
7	8 6:00PM Council 6:30PM Scouts	9 6:30PM Girl Scouts	10 9:15AM Prayer Group	11	12	13 8:00AM- 1:00PM Cairos
14	15 6:30PM Scouts	16	17 9:15AM Prayer Group	18 12:00PM Backpack Bags	19	20 Men's Emmaus
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