# Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ♦ 4/11: NO Women's Bible Study
- ♦ 4/12: Wednesday Night (5:45), Choir Practice (7:30)
- ♦ 4/15: Church Work Day
- ♦ 4/16: Confirmation Sunday
- ♦ 4/22: Called Annual Conference
- ♦ 4/22: Food Pantry
- ♦ 4/23: State of the UMCinfo session (9:30), Nominations meeting (11:30)

Confirmation Sunday is April 16 at 10:30 am. Confirmation is a time of intentional preparation, leading to the first public profession of faith. Join us as we welcome a great group of young people and celebrate with them at a reception in the parlor following worship.

The UMW is holding a silent auction for a full-sized hand made quilt. The starting bid is \$300, and the bidding sheet is located in the parlor. Bidding will close on Sunday, May 14.

Registration for Camp in the Community is now open. Camp will be June 12-16. Visit www.1stchurchjc.org/camp to register or for more information.

# Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of April, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, toothbrushes, & toothpaste. In addition, the food pantry can always use canned meat & canned fruit. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Mike Eddy

# Prayer List Randy & Pat Adams

Alice & Terry Berkson

Erma Budd Rhett Byrne Family of Bruce Carson Catherine Cartus Marian Cocke Rvan Cradic Vernon Crawford Jackie Denny Charlotte Diehl Paul Duncan Phyllis Eckerson Vivian Eckerson Linda Edwards Family of Phyllis Eorgan Cecelia Fleckstein Jim Furches Betty & Earl Gouge Dalton Gough Crystal Gray Mendy Hall Steve & Beverly Harris Nora & Tony Haynes The Hrenda family Scott Huff Jovce Josie Wilev Keller Family of Mike Kellum Deni Kiehl Linda Kostreva Hope Lee Sally Lee Bob Lentz Luanne Love Katie Mahoney Family of Barbara Marrs Wanda Mav David McFlveen Jim Milliken Family of Johnny Moore Brenda Murphy Steve Murray Tom Palmer Ruby Payne Bob & Athena Peebles Carolyn Peeples Tim Riddle Steven Schmidt Louise Scott Mike Scott Ed Searcey JD Toth Chloe Vanhuss Crystal Vines Ina Sue Watkins Anna Grace West Dara Wilde Manna House Nashville shooting victims Tornado victims



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WORSHIP GUIDE SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023 EASTER SUNDAY

First Things First

Prelude "Thine is the Glory" Arr. A.D. Miller

Call to Worship and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Leader: The Light that the world tried to extinguish now shines more brightly than ever. The tomb is emptyChrist is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Darkness and despair have been vanquished. Death is destroyed, for Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Ring the bells with gladness and celebrate the good news, Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

**Choral Introit** "Alleluia, Christ is Risen"

Invocation

**Hymn of Praise** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" #302

Verses 1, 2, & 3

#### Affirmation of Faith

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From 1Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

All: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit.

Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen

**New Testament Reading** 

Colossians 3:1-4

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection

"Living Hope" On Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

New Testament Reading Matthew 28:1-10

Anthem "Awake, My Soul!"

**Sermon** "Fear and Great Joy" Rev. Gary Ihfe

**Hvmn of Commitment** "Lift High the Cross" #159

Benediction

### **Benediction Response**

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
'Til all the world adore His sacred Name

In an effort to reduce printing and mailing costs, quarterly giving statements will be sent out by request only. If you would like to receive a quarterly statement of your year-to-date contributions to the church, please let the finance office know by contacting Elisa Wardeska at treasurer@1stchurchjc.org or by calling the church office (ext. 3). Annual statements reflecting total contributions will be sent out at the end of the year.

We need everyone's help for spring cleaning around the church facilities on Saturday, April 15 beginning at 8:30. There are jobs for all skill levels, indoor and outdoor. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

On Sunday, April 23 during the Sunday School hour, Pastor Jodie will be hosting a conversation about the state of the United Methodist Church and a recap of the called April 22 Annual Conference. Individuals and classes are encouraged to attend and participate in the discussion beginning at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall.

# Save the Date

 $\Rightarrow$  Church work day: April 15

 $\Rightarrow$  Confirmation Sunday: April 16

 $\Rightarrow$  Fifth Sunday Breakfast: April 30

⇒ Graduate recognition & potluck lunch: May 21

 $\Rightarrow$  Camp in the Community: June 12-16

# Wednesday Night Fellowship

Program: 24 Hours That Changed the World

Dinner begins at 5:45 and the worship service begins at 6:30.

Please make reservations by Monday, 4/10 at noon by returning the slip found in the pew pads or by contacting the church office.

Offering boxes are located at the front and rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex.