



Preparing for worship

Easter Sunday

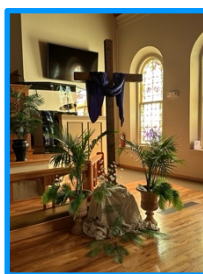
6:30 a.m. **Sunrise Service** on North Field or Sanctuary if weather is a problem.

The UMM is providing a Continental style breakfast following the Sunrise Service until 9 a.m. in the Atrium.

9:30 a.m. **Praise Service** with communion.

11:00 a.m. **Traditional Service** with communion

Remember to check out all the great features around the atrium and the sanctuary which are available to all for photo opportunities with you families. Be alert because there are butterfly wings and everything all around as we celebrate the risen Lord.



Scriptures for the coming week:

- Monday, April 10 Mark 16:12-13
- Tuesday, April 11 Luke 24:13-17
- Wednesday, April 12 Luke 24:18-24
- Thursday, April 13 Luke 24:25-29
- Friday, April 14 Luke 24:30-35

Sunday's message is "The Walk to Emmaus"

Small group updates

Dining Dimensions:

Dining Dimensions is also hosting a church-wide potluck dinner on April 30. Guests are asked to bring a covered dish and their favorite board game. Coffee, tea & water will be provided.

The Rock:

On April 14-15 the Rock is holding a weekend retreat at the First UNC Celebration Center in Sedalia (1701 W. 32 St.) The retreat includes fellowship, worshipping with music, Bible study, food, games and fun activities.

Transportation will be provided with the church bus leaving the Rock at 5:30 p.m. On Friday, April 14 and return from Sedalia around 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 15.

If you would like more information, contact Sri by emailing him at sri@umcбург.org.

United Women in Faith:

The UWF will meet on April 18 at 1 p.m. in the Library for the monthly meeting. Additionally, the UWF announce that UMCburg is hosting Mission U in July (look for the first article later in the newsletter).

Youth & Shine updates

Children's Church meets each worship service after the children's time in the sanctuary. Parents can pick up the kids from the Rainbow Rooms.

Youth Group meets at 6 p.m. on Sundays

Vacation Bible School will be May 30-June 3, 2023

Classes will be from 1-4 p.m. on Tuesday-Friday, then 10 - 12 noon on Saturday morning for the celebration.

- **Children's Minister:** Vada Postlethwait
- **Nursery Director:** Jill Pedersen

April Disciple Gift

Preparing for CROP Walk 2023

Certainly Holy Week is the primary focus for our church, but the Disciple Gift for April is the local CROP Walk team. The preparation for this annual event is under way and the teams are developing. If you would like to learn more information, go to the link on Facebook: [CROP Walk 2023](#)

When you go through the teams, find one of our church family and contact them or add to their sign ups. If you give through the church's website, your giving will be sent through to them, also. You can also mail a check to the church at 141 E. Gay Street, Warrensburg, MO 64093 or bring it to worship on Sunday and leave it in the offering plates.

Giving to God's Work

Coming soon! April 29, 2023
CROP HUNGER WALK
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

Check Warrensburg's CROP walk at this link:
[CROP 2023](#)

Dale and Barbara Carder recently announced their intent to establish a Charitable Gift Annuity through the Missouri United Methodist Foundation. In so doing, they have demonstrated their commitment to our church and the legacy they wish to create. Thank you for taking this step in shaping the future of UMCburg.

As Dale made us aware, charitable gift annuities are practical -- creating a guaranteed income for life with potential tax benefits – as well as forward-thinking. That is, the gift is ultimately received by our church for the purposes designated by the donor. What a terrific win-win scenario for our congregation and the church!

Thank you again Dale and Barb – we are most grateful! Should you have questions or need information, please contact Dale Carder, thecardergroup@gmail.com, or Robyn Criswell-Bloom, rcriswellbloom@gmail.com.

A special note from Dee Hudson



Church Family,

It is, indeed, bittersweet for me to move from the 'burg. It has been home, as has the First United Methodist Church, for 58 years. One does not move easily, and I shall respond to folks who ask that I am from Warrensburg.

I count FUMC and the wonderful people, both past and present, as a true blessing in my life. What an impact all have had on our family. The relationships are meaningful and lifelong.

The reception was thoughtful, and I appreciate your giving me time to say goodbye to many people.

Let me assure you I will show up when least expected for Church or a planned activity. You may think I haven't left and put me to work!

I'll miss everyone!

Blessings of love

Dee

Office Hours revisited, revised

With the staff changing and after reviewing the traffic flow in the office for several weeks, the Church Council approved the decision to alter the office hours.

- **Monday-Thursday** the office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- **Friday** the office is open from 9 a.m. to noon.

The phone system is set up to keep messages to roll over to another individual's phone for answering. Please let the office know if there are any problems that develop, esp. on Friday afternoon. Email the office: contact@umcburg.org

UMCburg hosting state-wide MissionU

Mission U is a program that United Women of Faith sponsors each year. It is a spiritual, learning, and fun retreat for the entire family. It is led by trained personnel.

This year the book the adults are studying is *Living the Kin-dom: Exploring the Lord's Prayer as a Spiritual Practice for Social Transformation* by Riva Tabelisma.

The youth will be studying *Seek and You Shall Find: Living in the Kin-dom* by Rachel Mosher.

The children will be studying *We Are the Kin-dom* by Kathleen Stone.

This book must be ordered from the UWF website. Here is a link [United Women in Faith - Living the Kin-dom: Exploring the Lord's Prayer as a Spiritual Practice for Social Transformation \(uwfaithresources.org\)](http://www.uwfaithresources.org)

There will be a hands on mission project available for all ages.

Registration is available now and is due by July 1. The cost is \$100 for adults plus the cost of the book which is \$14.00 and tax. The cost for K-12th grade is \$50. The cost for childcare registration ages 0-4 is \$30.

For those traveling a long distance, Comfort Inn has reserved a bloc of room for Mission U and must be reserved by June 27 for the special group rates to apply.

Welcome to newest UMCburg members

During Palm Sunday services, new members were added to the church family. Tammy Blaszczyk, (during the 9:30 service) Lois Schmidt, and Andy Haynes. (during the 11:00 service)

Rev. Sally Haynes is a member of the Missouri Conference, but upon her recent retirement, she and Andy have chosen to maintain their membership at UMCburg.



Tammy Blaszczyk during the 9:30 service



Lois Schmidt & Andy & Sally Haynes at the 11:00 service