

March 2020



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Revelation

From Your Pastor

From your pastor,

February 26th marked the beginning of our Lenten Season with our Ash Wednesday service.

The season of Lent will continue until Easter Sunday (April 12) when we will celebrate Jesus' resurrection!

This year for Lent, I thought it would be appropriate to spend some time with some of Jesus's best known teachings, The Beatitudes. Beginning on **March 1st** we will dig into these deceptively simple teachings, taking one at a time. We will look at The Beatitudes from the viewpoint of them being like a navigational map that Jesus has laid out for us to follow.

It's amazing how timely The Beatitudes are for us today. So I hope you'll join me for the journey!

Melanie

Lenten Boxes

Don't forget to pick up your Lenten box! Boxes will be available in a basket outside the sanctuary during Lent. Money collected in Lenten boxes will go to Missions Agency Support. For a list of missions agencies who receive support through this giving, go to www.greatplainsumc.org/missionagencysupport.

A Basket of Lenten Boxes is located at all times on the shelving in front of the Administrative Office door, and will be passed around Sunday's. Please keep in mind they need to be returned **No later than Easter Sunday, April 12th, 2020**. Thank you in advance for your contributions.



Meetings and Office News

Trustees: Tuesday, March 3rd @ 7:00 pm

Finance: Monday, March 9th @ 7:00 pm

ADCO: Monday, March 16th @ 7:00 pm



We are searching for volunteers to help keep our church clean. Please see the March volunteer sign-up sheet located on the hallway bulletin board.

Thank you to those who help to kept our building clean in February:

Marcy & Randy Johnson,

Phil & Connie Bentz,

**Marsha Wentz, Beth Whisler,
Pam Campbell, Jason Johnson**

**Kurt & Cindy Kocher,
Carol Ruud, and "The Youth"**

Noodle Making

Saturday March 21st is Noodle making from 8:00 am to 12:00pm Sign up Sheets are on the Bulletin Board. Help is needed for set-up, Noodle making, Noodle drying, packing Noodles, and clean-up. Please come help as you can, and enjoy awesome fellowship.



Match Madness

Give a gift to Concordia [FUMC](#)
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Match Madness Details

MATCH MADNESS

Community Foundation for Cloud County

7 a.m. - 7 p.m., March 10th @ Foundation

This **one-day only** event is designed to generate new gifts to our endowment for long-term support of our mission.

Help us earn a portion of this year's **\$30,000 match pool** with your donation.

Online donations will also be accepted from 12:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. on March 10, 2020.

UMW News

Attention all you who love to Knit, Crochet, Sew, or make cute crafty things. The UMW Needs donated Items to supply the "Holiday Store" Please contact **Nonnie Steinert @ 785-243-7990**

Thursday March 19th:

12:15 pm Executive Meeting

1:00 pm General Meeting



Change the World Sunday

Our **9th** annual Change the World event is coming on **Sunday, May 3rd**! If you have a project idea, please let any member of the Missions Team know! Team members include: Melanie Adams, Pam Campbell, Julie Cory, Cindy Kocher, Bruce Nutter, Marvin Petersen, and Nancy Wentz.



Chicken & Noodle Dinner

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Sunday, April 5th

11:30 am—1:00 pm

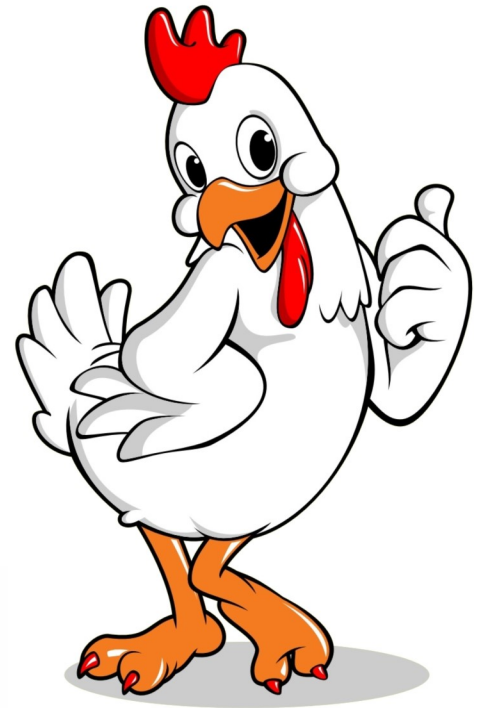
\$10.00 for adults

\$5.00 for children (12 and under)

takeout and delivery available—call 243-4560



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Order Forms on Information Table outside Administrative Office

Memorial Sharing

Saturday March 21st

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Coffee & Fellowship in the Parlor

*Please call Gwydotta Urkens

785-243-4754



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What Is the 2020 Census?

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories.

The count is mandated by the Constitution and conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, a nonpartisan government agency. The 2020 Census counts the population in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories (Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands). **Each home will receive an invitation to respond to a short questionnaire in March or April—online, by phone, or by mail.**

Census results have an impact on planning and funding for health clinics and highways, fire departments and disaster response, education programs such as Head Start and college tuition assistance, and so much more.

Why Conduct This Count?

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

Counting Everyone

Participating in the census is required by law, even if you recently completed another survey from the Census Bureau. A complete and accurate count is critical for you and your community, because the results of the 2020 Census will affect community funding, congressional representation, and more.

It's also in the Constitution: Article 1, Section 2, mandates that the country conduct a count of its population once every 10 years. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time that the country has counted its population since 1790.

Cloud County Resource Center Needs

Volunteer's are needed with the monthly food truck delivery on **March 4th from 8:00 – 11:00**

The CCRC needs assistance unloading the monthly food truck and removing barcodes on March 4th.

If you are available to help, contact Tonya Merrill at the CCRC – 243-1065 or

ccrc@nckcn.com.



Little Pantry

Little Free Pantry Spring is coming, but it is still cold many days! Please do not leave items in the pantry that could freeze when the weather is predicted to be extremely cold. In particular, canned goods can freeze and spoil.

The pantry continues to experience high traffic flow with multiple visits each day to both add and take items. If you have extra items, please place them in the food box in the church entry – these items will be used for the pantry and the CCRC Food Bank. If you prefer, you can also make a monetary donation to help purchase food for the pantry through the CCRC



Mission Bucket

In February, we collected \$243.99 for Mission Agency Support in Missions Buckets and Muffins for Missions.

To learn more, visit www.greatplainsumc.org/missionagencysupport. We will pass the Missions Buckets on **March 15th for the UMCOR Special Offering**. For more details about this offering, visit www.umcgiving.org/ministry-articles/one-great-hour-of-sharing.



Healthy Congregations

Yoga Classes

March Yoga Classes will be held on:

Sunday, March 8th at 5:00 pm
Sunday, March 15th at 5:00 pm



Classes are held in the Green Room. Participants of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate (including beginners). Bring a mat or towel for the floor; you may want to bring a small pillow or towel to sit on.

Secret Sister Reveal

Secret Sister had their reveal on Saturday February 22nd, and a New Year of Secret Sister has begun. It's a great group of Ladies who pray for each other and acknowledge there "Secret Sister" though out the year. I you see little cards, or gifts sitting around the Church Halls.....it's a secret. Thank you Ladies for Blessing each other.



Easter Lilly Orders

Honor your Loved One with an Easter Lily
Orders are due (with payment) by March 27th.

Flower Gallery Prices:

2 Plant Blooming Easter Lilies	\$32.00
2 Plant Blooming 6 plus Lilies	\$50.00
1 Plant Blooming 8" Easter Lilies	\$46.00

Please see forms on information table outside Administrative Office

**Orders and Payment are due NO later than
Monday March 30th @ 8:30 am**



March Heroes

Worship Volunteers	March 1st	March 8th	March 15th	March 22	March 29
Greeters	Lori Roccagino	Nonnie Steinert	Judy Kucher	Julie Cory	
Media	Janice Swenson	Dee Ann Lightfoot	Nancy Wentz	Dee Ann Lightfoot	Janice-Swenson
Sound	Jason Johnson		Monte Wentz	Jason Johnson	Mark McConkey
Worship Leader	Angie Mc Conkey				
Liturgist	Andrea Johnson	Amanda Morgan	Sydney Conner	Angie McConkey	Judy Edwards
Children's Moment	Lisa Mary Thoman	Loren Swenson	Melanie Adams	Cindy Kocher	Angie McConkey
Fellowship Hosts	M & M Wentz				

Area to Clean	March Volunteers
Sanctuary	
Chapel/Entry/Balcony	Carol Ruud
Bathrooms	
Nursery	Jim & Ann Lanou
Parlor & Kitchen	
Classrooms/Choir Room	Kocher's
Fellowship Hall	Jason Johnson
Halls/Stairs	Kocher's
Youth Room	Youth
Kitchen	Patty Mosher

March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 am S-School 10:00 am Fellowship 10:30 am Worship	2 5:30 pm Reworking How we Worship Jesus	3 7:00 pm Trustees Meeting	4 5:00 pm Sittn w/ Jesus 5:30 pm Choir Practice 5:45 pm Table Talk	5	6	7
8 9:30 am S-School 10:00 am Fellowship 10:30 am Worship 8:00 pm Yoga	9	10 Match Madness	11 5:00 pm Sittn w/ Jesus 5:30 pm Choir Practice * NO TABLE TALK	12	13	14
15 9:30 am S-School 10:00 am Fellowship 10:30 am Worship 8:00 pm Yoga	16	17	18 5:00 pm Sittn w/ Jesus 5:30 pm Choir Practice 5:45 pm Table Talk 6:30 pm Table Talk Class	19	20	21
22 9:30 am S-School 10:00 am Fellowship 10:30 am Worship	23 7:00 pm ADCO Meeting	24	25 5:00 pm Sittn w/ Jesus 5:30 pm Choir Practice 5:45 pm Table Talk 6:30 pm Table Talk Class	26 UMW Meeting 12:15 pm Executive 12:30 pm General	27	28 Noodle Making 8:00 am-12:00pm Joyce Koehn Memorial Share: 2pm -3:30pm
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Return Service Requested
First United Methodist Church
740 West 11th Street
Concordia, KS 66901

To A Friend of the Church

Sunday Services
 Adult & Youth Sunday School at 9:30 am
 Worship at 10:30 am
Table Talk every Wednesday Evening (during the school year)
 Dinner at 6:00 pm
 Classes for all ages at 6:30 pm

Pastor: Rev. Melanie Adams
 Administrative Assistant: Dee Ann Lightfoot
 Christian Education Coordinator: Kathy Poore
 Groundskeeper: Devin Pearson
 Choir Director: Renata Knox
 Organist: Pam Campbell
 Nursery: Jan Novlan

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