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**June
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**ANDOVER UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

P.O. Box 519
Andover, KS 67002

SUNDAY SERVICES

TRADITIONAL 9:00AM
with chancel choir-in sanctuary
In-Person & Online

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM

PRAISE SERVICE 11:00AM
with contemporary music &
children's involvement-in gym
In-Person & Online
Online: FACEBOOK AUMCKS

MEDIA CONNECTIONS

Website:

www.andoverumc.com

AUMC Online Church Directory:

<https://andoverumc.ctrn.co/>

The Outreach Newsletter:

andoverumc.com/outreach.html



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Happy June Andover,

WORD FROM THE PASTOR

As I was preparing to write the newsletter article I looked back at what I wrote last June. I was struck how the division I talk about is not only with us today but seems to have become worse.

“10 Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

1 Corinthians 1:10

Paul will go on to say people in the church in Corinth are claiming that they belong to different teachers. Paul asks, “Has Christ been divided?” I find this a profound question because our world today, at least in the USA, feels very divided. While the grand divide appears to be politics, it permeates all the through our society. From serious issues like response to covid, minimum wage, and education policies to seeming less serious things as foods, clothes, music, sports, and tv shows our nation lumps itself into an us-versus-them mentality. It doesn't matter if we are inaccurate with facts, unjustified with our anger, or how insignificant the issue is we are choosing sides.”

Honestly, it was depressing for me to read. I know that problems won't get solved in a year but I hoped it would be better. Paul many time tells churches to not lose hope and in Galatians 6:9 says “Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” We are striving for 6000 hours of community service. We are striving for increase connection with each other. We are striving for wisdom of God found in the Holy Spirit. We are striving for “good”. When I think of the good, my mood improves. My hope is restored and my faith strengthened. I encourage us to throw away the us-versus-them division and see the neighbor next to us. I encourage us to continue to seek ways to help, serve and be with our neighbors. I encourage us to continue to find hope in the Holy Spirit.

God Bless, Pastor Ryan

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Old Fashioned
Ice Cream
Social

Thurs., June 2nd
6-8pm

Homemade Ice Cream
plus toppings

Come meet your friends at
The Gazebo

Andover Central Park
1511 E. Central Ave.
Andover, KS

Donations go to Ukrainian Relief



Come and
Join Us!

PROJECT MORNING

Sat. June 4th
8:30am-noon

We will work on:
landscaping, water
fountain installation,
and cleaning.

Come for all or part of the event and
help get the church looking in tip-top



Date: July 18-22

Time: Dinner 5:30-6pm: VBS 6pm-7:30pm

Volunteer: Anyone middle school aged & up

Other Info: -Donations are needed. Please
use QR code to sign up.

-To volunteer, please us QR code.

-Volunteer training/info session:

Sun. 7/10 at noon

-Church Decorations/set up: Sat.

7/16 at noon

Volunteer

Donations



Andover Community Food Bank

Open:

Tues. 10am - 1pm

Wed. 3 - 6pm

Sat. 6/25 10am-12pm

2022 6000 hours of service and
connection in the community:
as of 5/15/22 2864 hours.

Between Services Social Time

Can you bake or buy cookies for between services on Sunday?

How about volunteering to set up cookies & coffee prior to 9:00 service?

How about helping to clean up after 11:00 service?

Contact Dave Valerio, valeriod@usd385.org and get on the list to help with
this important social time.



Fill My Cup Circle



On Monday, May 9, six women from Fill My Cup circle took a field trip to tour The Treehouse. Karey Padding, the executive director, was our host.

The Treehouse was founded 20 years ago to serve the needs of moms and babies 0-5. Over those years it has offered hundreds of mothers and babies a brighter future through sharing God's love, basic necessities, education, and genuine personal care.

Moms can take classes in a variety of subjects – from finance to sewing to parenting. They earn credits which can be used to purchase diapers, formula and

clothing from a very well stocked clothing thrift store.

There is childcare for children 1 – 5 years. Babies go to class with their moms.

They welcome donations of gently used clothing up to 5T, diapers, formula and of course cash.

The facility is at 151 N. Volutsia. We had a good time visiting and learning about this resource in our community.

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MISSION STATEMENT

“Connecting people with
the love of God through
Jesus Christ”

➤➤➤ MINISTRY UPDATES

Worship in June



In May we talked about how we can be witnesses. In June we will talk about how living the Spirit Life is the best way we can be a witness. We will look at Pentecost, Trinity Sunday as well as how the Spirit brings us peace. We will end with a sermon of being brought home by the Spirit on June 26th.

Join us as we continue to explore how we can live the Spirit life!

June 5th - Acts 2:1-21 & Genesis 11:1-9

Overcoming Babel?

June 12th - John 16:12-15 & Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Does Wisdom not Call

June 19th - Luke 8:26-39 & 1 Kings 19:1-15

From Madness to Stillness

June 26th - Luke 9:51-62 & 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Brought Home in the Spirit

Changes in the United Methodist Church

Our denomination, United Methodist Church, has been in a state of disagreement for sometime over the issue of Homosexuality. There is nothing wrong with a denomination or church being in disagreement-in fact it is biblical! Everyone one of us have to wrestle with scripture, with our own understanding of how to live out our faith, and with the understandings of the people around us. When Paul said that we are to be people of the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, this was not a call to have uniform belief. It was a call to have the uniform love Jesus had for people. The disciples argued and fought but Jesus told them to love each other as Jesus loves them. Jesus instructed and demonstrated that they were called to a faith that gave life through service, reconciliation, and connection.

Unfortunately, the disagreement in the UMC as a whole has reached a point where the connection of the UMC needs to change. At the beginning of May, a group of people have formed a new denomination titled, Global Methodist Church. While this new denomination has been called and described as a split in the United Methodist Church, and it may feel like one, it is not technically a split. At this time there is no requirement for local churches to vote which denomination they wish to be part of. Churches desiring to join this new denomination have to vote to leave the UMC through the path laid out by General Conference in 2019 but churches staying do not need to take a vote. While the news is recent and may feel like action is needed, there is not a need for Andover UMC to rush into something. We have until December of 2023 under the current rules to decide if we want to leave the UMC.

The Unified Board has discussed the best way for our faith community to discuss the issues is through small house meetings. This will allow people to both hear information and ask questions. These meetings will be held this summer. If you would like to host a meeting you can contact Cathy Durano, Unified Board Chair, to let her know. Through all of it the Unified Board wants to be transparent and will communicate times of meetings and discussions. I, Pastor Ryan, apologize about not getting the information out at the beginning of May. The Tornado disrupted the timing as it seemed more appropriate to focus on the recovery. Our Bishop put out a video on why he is remaining in the UMC and you can watch it here: <https://www.greatplainsumc.org/videodetail/bishop-explains-why-he-will-beumc-16415009>

The video is on the GreatPlains website. If you have questions, you can contact me, Pastor Ryan, either by e-mail or phone call. I am willing to take all questions and I will ask you to either have coffee or meet in person with me. I just feel that this is a conversation best had in each other's presence.

Disagreement and separation is always difficult and painful. Yet, God is still working through us, through the UMC and will through the new denomination. We should strive to hold each other in the love of Christ and seek how we can share that love with those around us. For regardless of what is happening in the denomination as a whole, we at Andover UMC are still called to connect with God, each other, and our community and to take the message that our neighbors, the stranger, our community are not alone, there is a people that care, and a God that loves them.

Blessings, Pastor Ryan

SUMMER EVENTS

SUNDAY

9:00am Traditional Service – with chancel choir - In-Person & Online
 10:00am Sunday School: Children's (In-Person & Zoom), Youth, Pathfinders, Love at the Center, Seekers
 11:00am Praise Service – with contemporary music & children's involvement - In-Person & Online

WEDNESDAY (No events - Summer Break starts again 9/7/22)

6:00-6:30p Community Meal
 6:30-8:00p Crossfit Youth Ministries
 6:30-7:30p KidsConnect
 6:45-7:45p Choir Practice

Hump Day Happy Hour every Wed. 3-4p starts 6/1 to 8/3

5/29/22	6:30-8p	Sunday	Crossfit Game Night
6/2/22	6-8p	Thursday	Community ice cream social
6/4/22	8:30a -	Saturday	Project Morning
6/6/22	6:30p	Monday	Sack lunches for Open Door
6/15/22	6-8p	Wednesday	Children's Pizza & Paint-gym
6/20-22		Fri.&Sat.	Crossfit Summer Lock-in
6/26-7/2/22			Middle Sch. Mission Trip
6/26/22	6:30-8p	Sunday	Crossfit Game Night
6/28/22	6:30p	Tuesday	Unified Board Meeting
7/4/22		Monday	Independence Day-Office closed
7/9-16/22			High Sch. Mission Trip
7/16/22	12-5p	Saturday	VBS Decoration/Setup
7/18-22/22	5:30-6p		VBS Dinner
7/18-22/22	6-7:30p		Vacation Bible School
7/18-22/22			Middle Sch. Camp
7/25-29/22			High Sch. Camp
7/26/22	6:30p	Tuesday	Unified Board Meeting
7/31/22	6:30p	Sunday	Crossfit Game Night
8/2/22	6a-7p	Tuesday	Primary Election
8/3/22	6-8p	Wednesday	Children's Messy Night-gym
8/7/22		Sunday	College Scholarship Day
8/23/22	6:30p	Tuesday	Unified Board Meeting
8/28/22	6:30-8p	Sunday	Crossfit Game Night

Food Bank Tues. 10am-1pm; Wed. 3-6pm Sat. 6/25/22; 7/30/22; 8/27/22 10am-12pm



Some of the quilters working on our current quilt. Come join us on Wednesdays from 8.30 till noon. No experience required. We will teach you. And if you have a top to be quilted, we will put you on the list.

Hands2Serve: Thanks to everyone who served in the 12th annual H2S event. Without exception, those we served were happy and thankful. Another great year. We completed 17 projects and made good progress on 2 projects that will be completed soon. Thanks again, Harker E. Russell , Core



The Great Plains Disaster Response Team was on the ground in Andover, Kansas, as the sun rose showing the destruction from the EF-3 tornado on April 29. First responders from Sedgewick and Butler counties activated their search and rescue phase.

By Sunday afternoon, our team was charged with overseeing the Volunteer Reception Center, which would be located at the Andover UMC. By late Monday all areas affected were deemed safe. Tuesday morning, our team arrived at the church at 6 a.m. ready to greet and register volunteers from all over the state. At the end of two weeks, our team had registered 1,613 volunteers and also spent time working in the field helping home owners.

Approximately 105 homes were destroyed in Andover with 205 homes in Butler and Sedgewick counties receiving major, minor or affected damages. There is much work to be done in both communities. Watch for your opportunity to provide a helping hand!

We would like to thank the Andover UMC for their wonderful hospitality and turning over the facility to our team to use. Your gifts of goodies that kept us going was very much appreciated.

Blessings on each of you.

--Rev. Hollie Tapley, disaster response coordinator

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Request – June 2022

Bob & Nancy West	Kathy Halfman		
Hardy Wasson	Dick Wasson		
Mark Hartness	Kasa Straub		
Ukraine & our World situation	Jane Anderson, Barbara Hartness sister		
London Israelson	Irene Martin		
Prayers for those who lost their homes and personal items in the tornado			
Mark, Jana Robinson's brother	Brenda Wimmers, Peggy Valerio's sister		
Patty Pike, Dave Wall's niece	Mike DeHass	Colleen Souders	
Al Gagnon	Jana Robinson	Betty Rich	
Stephen McBride, Mark Hartness great-nephew			
Irene Gagnon's brother-in-law	Tim Souder's mom		
Dave Valerio's 2 cousins	Bill Miller, Issy's husband		
Struggling with health issues and depressions and need our Lord's intervention			

Sympathies to Families/Friends in the Passing of:

Peggy Creed (May)
Myrna Craig's Father-in-law (May)

CELEBRATIONS



June Birthdays

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| 02 Sarah Maupin | 19 Karlyn Bradford |
| 04 Jan Brady | 23 Mollie Beaver |
| 04 Jennifer Guerrie | 24 Miles Armbrister |
| 08 Zach Brooks | 25 Doris Wyatt |
| 10 Royal Owens | 25 Kyle Shook |
| 12 Joel Fulghum | 26 Eric Wertheimer |
| 14 Linda Jones | 26 Debbie Senters |
| 17 Ben Banks | 26 Tyler Eidem |
| 17 Joshua Jacobsen | 30 Robert Palmer |
| 18 David Oles | |
| 18 Bob Pippin | |



June Anniversaries

- 01 Steve & Jody Huxman-Ramirez
- 02 Steve & Sherri Sanders
- 04 Les & Karol Hastings
- 06 Tony & Rene Kaufman
- 06 Ben & Sara Banks
- 07 Randy & Debbie Shields
- 09 Steve & Karen Kealey
- 18 Mike & Jennifer Primm
- 21 Dean & Debbie Senters
- 22 Frank & Nancy Mattke
- 27 Brent & Glenda Jones



4th of JULY BREAKFAST
At Gary & Cathy Harmon's house
(more info to come)

➤➤➤ **CROSSFIT YOUTH NEWS**

Happy June!

Summer is officially here! We've got a fun couple of months planned for our Crossfit students, and I'm so excited to be participating in a full summer schedule again. Here's a quick overview of what June will look like for us!

- **Hump Day Happy Hour:**
Wednesdays starting June 1st from 3-4pm all incoming 6th grade-outgoing seniors in high school are welcome to come enjoy time together. All happy hour drinks will be paid for, ice cream and food is not covered.
- **Ice Cream Social:**
On June 2nd from 6-8pm AUMC is hosting an ice cream social at the Andover Central Park Gazebo for the whole community of Andover.
- **Project Morning:**
AUMC is hosting a project work day on June 4th from 9am to noon on June 4th. We will work on a few different projects to help with the upkeep of our church.
- **Mission Trip Tie-Dye Party:**
All students and adults going on a mission trip this summer are asked to come to AUMC on June 5th to make our mission trip shirts, go over some important information, and share in a devotion to prepare us.
- **Confirmation Sunday:**
Our Confirmation students will be confirmed during the services on Sunday, June 12th.
- **Pizza and Paint Night:**
Kids and youth and their families will get to create art together from 6-8pm on June 15th. Pizza will be provided, and it will be a great time!
- **Tentative Crossfit Outdoor Movie Night**
Depending on our ability to borrow a screen from another local church, we will be hosting an outdoor movie night on June 22nd at 8:30pm. All incoming 6th-outgoing seniors in high school are invited!
- **Middle School Mission Trip:**
Our middle schoolers and adults are heading to Kenosha, WI June 26th-July 2nd! Please keep us in your prayers this week.
- **Game Night:**
All incoming 6th-outgoing seniors in high school are welcome to come play games and hang out from 6:30-8pm on Sunday, June 26th

Even though we won't be having regular Wednesday night meetings over the summer, there will be plenty of opportunities to connect with Crossfit. Once again, I'm looking forward to this summer and I can't wait for the memories that we will make together!

Peace,

Melissa Connell, Director of Youth Ministries

Visit our Facebook page:



➤➤➤ CHILDREN'S CHATTER

Dear AUMC families,

Summer has finally arrived! Which means hotter temperatures and vacation time for many of us. You probably know where you are going and when you are going, and what you are going to do when you get there.

Have you ever asked yourself "Do God or Jesus take vacations? Where does He go?"

In Matthew 28:20, He says, "I am with you always even to the ends of the World."

God doesn't just "camp out" in one place or another. We should remind ourselves that God is by our side, He is our friend and companion, and He loves us without conditions.

Take time on your vacation to thank Him for everything He has done for you.

Blessings,

Erin

Family ideas

Trace each other's shadows on the driveway. Add faces, hair, and clothes to make a silly shadow family.

Go to the grocery store or farmer's market and buy a few new-to-you fruits (or vegetables). Have a family taste test and maybe you'll find a new favorite snack.

Have a letter writing evening and write letters to faraway family or friends. Use pretty stationary or decorate your own with markers and stickers.

What's happening?

Sunday School- In person and via Zoom (10a)

NO Kids Connect- Summer Break-Resumes in September

June 2- Church Ice Cream Social

June 15-6p-8p-Pizza & Paint

June 27-July 1 Camp Horizon opportunity

VBS-July 18-22 Evening-Food Truck Party!

August 3-6p-8p-Messy Night

August 7-Blessing of the Backpacks/ Crossover Ceremony

Child registration



Volunteer



Donations



Visit Children's Ministry Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/aumckidsmin

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



COMMUNITY ICE CREAM SOCIAL

June 2nd
6-8pm

Gazebo in Andover Central Park



PROJECT DAY JUNE 4TH

8:30am-noon

Landscaping,
water fountain installation,
& cleaning



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 18-22

Dinner: 5:30pm
VBS: 6-7:30pm

OUR STAFF

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