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**MAY  
2024**

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**ANDOVER UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

P.O. Box 519 -1429 N Andover Rd  
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

**Services In-Person & Online**  
Online: FACEBOOK AUMCKS

## **MEDIA CONNECTIONS**

Website:

[www.andoverumc.com](http://www.andoverumc.com)

AUMC Online Church Directory:

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

The Outreach Newsletter:

[andoverumc.com/outreach.html](http://andoverumc.com/outreach.html)

## **f FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK:**

Andover United Methodist Church:

[www.facebook.com/AUMCKS](http://www.facebook.com/AUMCKS)

Andover UMC CrossFit Youth

Ministries: [www.facebook.com/aumcyouthmin](http://www.facebook.com/aumcyouthmin)

Andover UMC Children's Ministry

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Greetings Andover!

## **WORD FROM THE PASTOR**

On May 24, we remember that in 1738 John Wesley experienced assurance of his salvation. As the story goes, John reluctantly attended a group meeting that evening on Aldersgate Street in London. He had been back from a failed missionary trip to Georgia. He had high hopes for himself, but found himself crushed in all aspects of his life. Having lost his way he was reluctant to do anything. His friend Peter Bohler just two months prior encouraged Wesley to continue in his faith. All wasn't lost and he should still preach. In response to Wesley's question of what we would preach, Bohler said "Preach faith till you have it; and then, because you have it, you will preach faith"

Peter Bohler continued to write letters to encourage Wesley, one of which was an invitation to a bible study. Reluctantly Wesley went. As he heard a reading from Luther's Preface to the Epistle to the Romans, he felt his "heart strangely warmed." Wesley wrote in his journal that at about 8:45 p.m. "while he was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation; and an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death."

Methodist remember Aldersgate and the phrase "a strange warmed heart" and they were only possible because Wesley had a friend that encouraged him in his faith. I invite you this month to take a moment and encourage someone. If you are needing encouragement, I invite you to join us for worship, Sunday school or one of our small groups. Sometimes we are Wesley and need the invitation and sometimes we are Bohler and giving the encouragement. It is through our connections that we are able to continue our faith journey.

In Christ,

Pastor Ryan

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## SAVE THE DATE

4/28/24 Confirmation Sunday	4/28/24 5:30-7 Game Night
5/4/24 Habitat for Humanity 8a-3p	5/5/24 Senior Sunday
5/9/24 6pm The Nehemiah Assembly probably at Century II	5/15/24 6pm Potluck Party End of school year party
5/19/24 5:30-7 Nerf & Nachos youth & kids	5/22/24 No Wed. events the summer break begins
5/26/24 5:30-7 Game Night	5/27/24 Unified Board Meeting



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

MAY 4TH 8am—3pm

Those interested in signing up need to follow the instructions below:

1. Visit the Wichita Habitat for Humanity event registration page: <http://vhub.at/AndoverUMC>
2. Select May 4th
3. Once you have successfully signed into the system, or created a profile, you can select your day of service to complete the registration and receive a confirmation e-mail.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

**Love at the Center**—Meets in Room 8. Starting in May, we will be watching videos from Amplified Media. All are invited to join us as we learn about the history of this region and see how it impacts current issues.

**Pathfinders**—Meets in Parlor. Studying “Bible Stories for Grownups” by Josh Scott

**Seekers**—Meets in Room 7. Studying “Words of Life” by Adam Hamilton

\*\*\*These classes are a great way to deepen faith & connect with each other



THE GIVING TREE, on the bulletin board located by the nursery, displays items available for donation. Feel free to pick a leaf and return the corresponding items to the box by the board.

## ANDOVER FOOD BANK



Food Bank is looking for people to be a part of the rotation to pick up Saturday bread. If you are able, you can email: [acfbvolunteer1@gmail.com](mailto:acfbvolunteer1@gmail.com)

### OPEN:

TUES. 10am-1pm  
WED. 3-6pm

## ➤➤➤ MINISTRY



GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
April 23rd-May 3rd, 2024 @ Charlotte, North Carolina

This meeting of 862 delegates—equal numbers of clergy and laity— from around the world will consider how the UMC can best live out our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. You are invited to pray for the conference and for the delegates we will be sending.

There is information about General Conference on both [www.GreatPlainsumc.org](http://www.GreatPlainsumc.org) and [www.UMC.org](http://www.UMC.org). The second week of General Conference will be live streamed from the link found on the UMC Website. Contact Pastor Ryan if you have any questions.

## ➤➤➤ UNIFIED BOARD

### *Justice Together Nehemiah Assembly, May 9*

*You are invited to an important event for our congregation and community! You may have heard that AUMC is a member of the multifaith justice organization called Justice Together—Members of our congregation have been participating for a few months and we are getting ready for our big event of the year, called the Nehemiah Assembly on May 9th at 6pm!*

*Our goal is helping to bring out our congregation (along with others) to do justice as part of a great assembly of 2000 people where we will seek commitments from local officials to act on our well researched proposals on homelessness and mental health.*

*Let the church office know if you plan to attend the 2024 Justice Together Nehemiah Assembly on Thursday, May 9th at 6pm at Century II Convention Hall located at 225 W. Douglas.*

A group of us will meet in the church parking lot at 5:15 to carpool and we hope to see you there.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Al Gagnon
- Those affected by the KC shooting
- Irene Gagnon's sister, Nancy and B-I-L Ron
- Nancy West's brother, Ron
- \*\*\*Requests above will be removed April 28<sup>th</sup>
  
- Barb, a friend of Barb Hartness
- Donna Garver
- \*\*\*Requests above will be removed May 12<sup>th</sup>
  
- Emery Nagy's brother Abbott
- Melissa Bliss
- Joclyn, Justin Kneisel's co-worker
- \*\*\*Requests above will be removed May 19<sup>th</sup>
  
- Melissa Heath
- \*\*\*Request above will be removed May 26<sup>th</sup>
  
- The war in Gaza & Israel
- \*\*\*Request above will be removed June 2<sup>nd</sup>
  
- Barb Wassinger
- Rachel Gregg
- Valeta Hole
- Bob Allengrand
- \*\*\*Request above will be removed June 9<sup>th</sup>

New requests and current request you want left on the list (include updates) need to be emailed to the church office by the fourth Monday.

<b>SUNDAY EVENTS</b> <u>Every Sunday</u> 9:00am Traditional Service 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Praise Service  <u>Third Sundays</u> 10:00am Coffee with Pastor 3:00pm Chat Chew, and Do  <u>Last Sunday</u> 5:30-7pm Crossfit & Club 45 Game Night	<b>MONDAY EVENTS</b> <u>First Monday</u> Open Door Lunch Packing  <u>Fourth Monday</u> 6:30pm Unified Board Meeting  <b>TUESDAY EVENTS</b> 9am Bible Study & Coffee @ Dunkin Doughnuts	<b>WEDNESDAY EVENTS</b> ** 5/22/24 summer break starts – No Wed. events. <u>Every Wednesday</u> 9-11am Quilting Group 9-12pm Pickleball in gym 6-6:30pm Family Dinner 6:30-7:30pm Kids Connect & Choir Practice 6:30-8:00pm Crossfit Youth Ministry  <u>Fourth Wednesday</u> 9-12pm Outreach Team Mailing
<b>THURSDAY EVENTS</b> 9-12pm Pickleball in gym	<b>SATURDAY EVENTS</b> <u>Third Saturday</u> 5pm Lord's Diner	

Sympathies to Families/Friends in the passing of:  
 Jim Loubach on March 29th  
 Dave Valerio on April 3rd  
 Service will be April 27th at 10am

## CELEBRATIONS

### MAY BIRTHDAYS

03 Tyler Gannon	18 Owen Straub
05 Hardy Wasson	20 Steve Shook
11 Cheryl Wetheimer	22 Jerry Brady
11 John Jacobsen	22 Phyllis Seidl
13 Gary Harmon	26 Gabrielle Pippin
14 Alexis Hartness	27 Taylor Cotner (Huslig)
14 Christie Gannon	31 J. Aaron Weatherbie
18 Mary Carson	

### MAY ANNIVERSARIES

19 Joey & Nita Jackson
20 Darryl & Carly Haynes
25 Roy & Nadine Hayden
28 Bob & Betty Pippin
29 Mark & Karey Padding
30 Anthony & Alexis Hartness
31 Jeff & Gwen Young

Welcome Terri Peretto to our staff as Financial Secretary. Her first day was 4/22/24.

Come by the office and welcome her to AUMC.

AUMC Staff opening for Custodian

15 hour work week

Work Week: Flexiable days

If you are interested, send an email to Ryan Lynch, Pastor @ [ryanl@andoverumc.com](mailto:ryanl@andoverumc.com)

If you know someone who is interested have them send an email to Ryan Lynch, Pastor.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION



### FILL MY CUP OUTING

On April 15, fourteen members of Fill My Cup circle with some spouses, enjoyed a very informative tour of the Andover CAPS (Center for Advanced Professional Studies) Academy.

The principal, Brian, showed us a short film highlighting some of the students and programs and then told us in more detail about the programs offered.

We toured the building and saw the business area - with a ticker showing the current stock market quotes; the medical area with beds, labs and an anatomical lifesize iPad person. It showed layers of skin right on down to nerves. There was engineering with laser cutters and 3D printers.

He explained how the students are teamed with local businesses to do projects. They are instructed in best work practices and habits also.

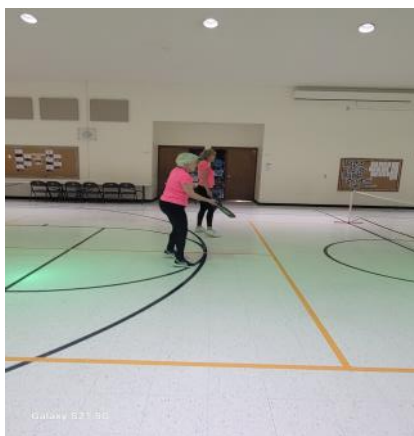
Andover has a real asset in Principal Brian and the Academy.



### Hands2Serve April 20, 2024



### Come Join Us for Pickleball on Wednesday and Thursday 9a-12p



## ➤➤➤ **CROSSFIT YOUTH NEWS**

Dear Youth families,

There is so much to be thankful for during the merry month of May!

Confirmation Sunday was April 28. Danielle DeHass, Tommi Gannon, Ember Nagy, and Gracyn Peck have been instructed in the word of God and in the faith of the United Methodist Church and have made public confession of faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit before the assembled congregation of AUMC. We would like to thank Pastor Ryan, Cathy Durano and Tyler Gannon for helping with confirmation and helping these four youth grow wise in the words and ways of our Lord.

Join us for a Potluck Party on Wednesday, May 15. Please bring a dish to share with everyone. This will be our last Wednesday night, as we will be taking a break for summer.



A note moving forward - we wished Sloan well on her journey as she has taken a full-time teaching position in Derby requiring her to begin training in the next weeks and step down from the youth leadership position at AUMC. The hunt has begun for a full-time youth leader, but in the meantime our program will continue to be led with love by our

Youth Leadership Team:

Sarah Lynch  
Justin Kneisel  
Roy Hayden  
Christie Gannon  
Mike DeHass

# CHILDREN'S CHATTER

Dear AUMC family,

May is often a busy time of month with Mother's Day, graduations, and school ending for the summer! How time flies.

Happy Mother's Day to all the women out there. Everyone has that special woman in their life-be sure to celebrate that woman.

Join us for a Potluck Party on Wednesday, May 15. Please bring a dish to share with everyone! This will be out last Wednesday night as we will be taking a break for summer.

We have lots of fun summer events planned and would love to see you all. Feel free to invite family and friends!

Blessings,  
Erin

## Family ideas

- May Day-May 1- Deliver flowers to someone
- National Day of Prayer-May 2- Say extra prayers
- Bird watching
- Watch the clouds
- Collect & paint rocks

## What's happening?

**Sunday School** – 10am

**KidsConnect** – Wednesdays \*\*\*LAST ONE: May 15\*\*\*  
Dinner 6pm, Upstairs, 6:30-7:30

**Potluck Party!** – May 15, 6p

**Nerf & Nachos** – May 19, 5:30p-7p

**Club 45** -Begins again in September



Visit Children's Ministry Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/aumckidsmin](http://www.facebook.com/aumckidsmin)

## IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



**SENIOR  
SUNDAY**  
  
**May 5th**

**HAPPY  
MOTHER'S  
DAY**  
  
**MAY 12TH**

**CAMP FIRELIGHT  
VBS**  
**July 7-11**  
  
**Dinner—5:30pm**  
**VBS-6-7pm**

### OUR STAFF

**Pastor**—Ryan Lynch [ryanl@andoverumc.com](mailto:ryanl@andoverumc.com)

**Youth Ministry**—

**Children's Ministry**—Erin Murray [erinm@andoverumc.com](mailto:erinm@andoverumc.com)

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