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**June
2023**

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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

AUMC Online Church Directory:

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

The Outreach Newsletter:

andoverumc.com/outreach.html

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www.facebook.com/AUMCKS

Andover UMC CrossFit Youth

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www.facebook.com/AUMCKidMin



WORD FROM THE PASTOR

But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name; you are mine.
²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm
you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you. *Isaiah 43:1*

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I think of times where I have helped my boys learn how to swim. I stand in the pool away from them and attempt to coax them to let go of the edge and push off to me. The general refrain is "You got this" and "I will catch you". Encouragement and assurance. Isaiah is sharing the encouragement with a people going through a difficult time. Do not fear, God has redeemed you. God knows you by name. It is okay to go through the waters, God is with you. The fire will not hurt you. Isaiah's comforting words are that the God who created, formed, and called by name will go with you through the struggles you have in this world.

The Holy Spirit is described in the imagery of water and fire. Through the light of the Spirit this scripture takes on another meaning for me. When Isaiah talks of passing through the waters, I think of our baptism. As the Spirit washes over us we are redeemed and reclaimed us in God's love. Taking on our new identity as Christians can be overwhelming. While we rejoice in the good news of Jesus, daily we are reminded how we fall short. God has called us by name and yet we keep making mistakes. Sometimes we slip back into bad habits and other times we fall into new ones. In reflection of who we are compared to who we are called to be we can feel like the waters of baptism were less a peaceful pool and more a dangerous rapids leading to a waterfall! How can we possibly call ourselves Christians when we can barely stay afloat. Isaiah's words come back to tell us to not worry, God is with us. As we live out our baptism God is there to continue reassure us that even if it feels like the water is too deep God has claimed us.

The imagery of the fire leads me to the Holy Spirit calling us into mission in the world. Like a fire it can seem dangerous. Will I get burned if I try? If I say yes will it consume my life and burn me out? These are important concerns to contemplate when volunteering to help. We don't want to fail and hurt others or ourselves. The Holy Spirit though continues to call to us encouraging us that we can do this. We can leave the place of comfort and follow the call into mission and action in the name of Jesus.

May you know the love of God in Baptism and here God say "I will catch you". May you here encouragement of the Holy Spirit shouting "You can do this"!

Blessings,
Pastor Ryan

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

AUMC KIDS & YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

May 26th @ 5pm - 27th @ 9am Summer Lock-In
Kids on 26th only Youth both days

June 4th-10th High School Mission trip to OKC

June 5th @ 6-8pm "You're Fired" Night
Kids & Middle School youth

June 19th-23rd Middle School Camp
Camp Horizon

July 5th-7th AUMC Kids Camp Week (Mini Camp)

July 9th-13th Vacation Bible School - @ 5:30pm dinner
@ 6:00pm VBS

Game Night for family or friends Thurs. **7/13 6-7p**
following VBS short program

July 16th - 22nd Middle School Mission Trip to
Loveland, CO

July 17th - 21st High School Camp - Camp Horizon

August 2nd @ 6-8pm Messy Night - Kids & Youth

ADULT SMALL GROUPS

Senior Singles

Sunday Lunches @ 11:15am, following Sunday School

May 21st, Applebees, Andover

May 28th, Red Robin, Wichita

June 4th, Stearman's, Benton

June 11th, KFC, Andover

June 18th, Terradyne, Andover

June 25th, New Japanese Grill, Andover

July 23rd, Applebees, Andover

Day Trips

June 16th, Day Trip to Lindsburg

July 12th, Day Trip to Yoder

Aug. 9th, Day Trip to Ponca City, Pioneer Woman

If you're single & a senior, we invite you to join us. For more information, text Jan Mead at 316-670-9097.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Love at the Center—Meets in Room 9.
Studying in June will be a video series.

Pathfinders—Meets in Parlor. Studying "The Holy Land Revealed"

Seekers—Meets in Room 7. Studying "Difficult Words of Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine.

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

Chat, Chew, & Do

@ 3pm every 3rd Sunday @ AUMC

This is a women's group designed for women looking for connection at AUMC that aren't plugged into the UMW or many other small groups. We get together for snacks, a short to do fun & meaningful things together.

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UNITED
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MISSION
STATEMENT

"Connecting people with the love of God through Jesus Christ"

Tuesday Coffee
9am @ Dunkin Doughnuts every Tues.

ANDOVER
FOOD BANK

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



**Roy Owen's 90th
Birthday Celebration**

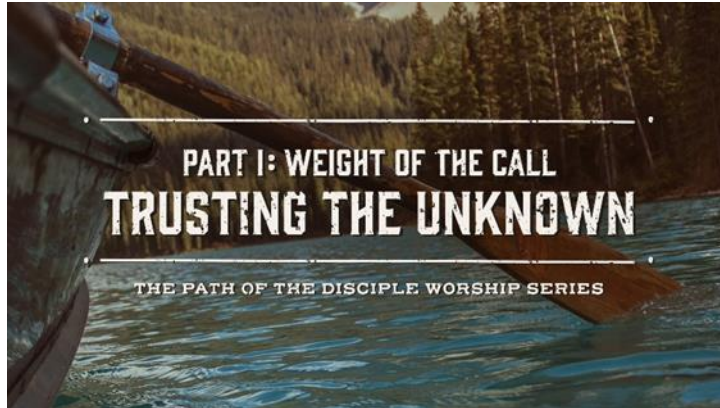
**Drop In Reception
June 10th @ 2-4pm**

@ AUMC

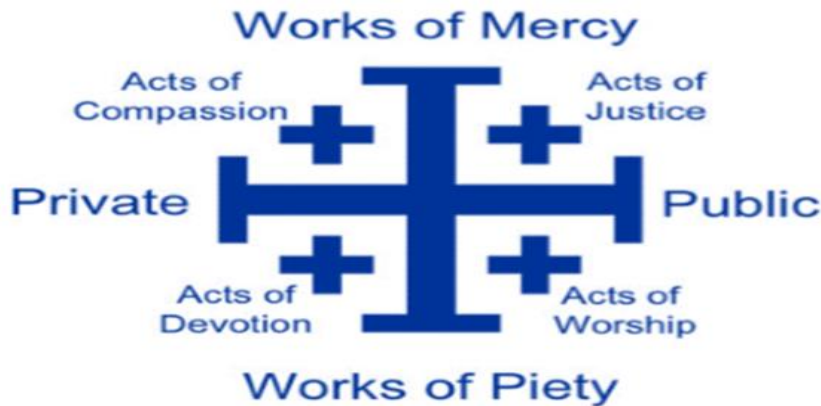
Food Bank's New Directors

Executive Director: Angie Funk & Assistant Director: Andrea Treptow

Worship for June



This summer we are going to be looking at different parts of the path to discipleship. We will begin in June by examining our call to discipleship.



Created by Steven Manskar, this chart uses John Wesley’s idea of means of grace and breaks it down into ways we do this in a corporate setting and ways we do live out the grace individually. We will be looking at this chart during the summer and I invite you to reflect on what are things that you already do in these areas. Each month we will lift up how individual, in small groups and as a faith community we can live out these acts to grow in our discipleship of Jesus Christ.

Capital Campaign Update

Things are moving along with the capital campaign. The equipment has been ordered and we’ve begun the process of bidding the electrical work. As soon as that is completed, we expect to begin installation of the new technology in the sanctuary!

In the future, we will address the technology needs of the gym overflow where 2nd service holds its worship services. At this time, the Unified Board felt the 2nd service is still deciding their seating preferences and the issue of having a gym located next to the worship area creates the possibility of damage from stray balls flying into equipment. More input will be needed to address these issues before we can design a technology plan that is adequate for this area. Once that has been decided, the second service will also be upgraded with an additional capital campaign.

The Unified Board would like to thank the members of Andover UMC for their gifts to this campaign. Our church is a great place to worship and your commitment to upgrading the worship experience is very much appreciated.

Social Justice Goal for AUMC

The Unified Board set a goal to explore how our congregation could grow in our ability to talk about and respond to justice issues. To meet that goal, six of our members attended a meeting at Chapel Hill UMC in April to discuss social justice issues that need attention in the Wichita area. The meeting had approximately 300 in attendance and started with laying a Biblical foundation of why social justice is a part of the call for our Faith. Among the Bible passages referenced were Nehemiah 5:5-13, Matthew 23:23-34, and the most famous, “O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?” from Micah 6:6-8.

What is up next for our church? We plan to promote, to our congregation, the small group meetings put on by the larger group that will begin happening in August where discussions will center around areas that need attention in the Wichita area. After these small group meetings, the larger group will pick 2 issues that will be researched, and plans made for solutions.

In the meantime, our congregation will bring in a speaker about issues in the Andover area for a luncheon like the one we had with Kansas Appleseed on food insecurity. Watch your Outreach and “This Just In” email to hear up to date information on our speakers and times for small group meetings. All of the congregation is invited to get involved with social justice.

Attending the meeting at Chapel Hill were Melissa Connell, Debbie Smith, Cathy Durano, Cathy Harmon, Nancy Mattke, and John Hope. Be sure to talk to these members if you want more information.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PRAYER REQUEST

A-B

*Allen, Drew, Jan Mead's grandson (April)
 *Andrea, Karol Hastings' Tx grandkids Grandmother
 *Sharon Bahr, friend of Kay Reissig
 *Clint & Erica (Valerio) Baker & Vivian (April)
 *Kara Ball, Erica's HS friend
 *Judy Bengel, Marilyn Kumar's son (Casey's) wife (Tammy's) mom & Judy's other daughter
 *Ron Benton John Hope's cousin (April)
 *Bobbie, Dennis Hellon's brother
 *Laura Boone's father (May)
 *Dan & Krista Bonnensek's parents

C-E

*Rita Solis Chavez & family
 *Sharon Bahr, friend of Kay Reissig
 *Myrna Craig
 *Daune, Kay Resig's father
 *Mike DeHass' mom
 *Cathy Delimon, Dan Delimont's sister (May)
 *Dulton baby
 *Cathy Durano
 *Brian Edem
 *Tammy Eilert's mom
 *Debra Ewing, Justin Kneisel's mom (May)

F-H

*Elma, Irene Gagnon's mom
 *Al Gagnon
 *Irene Gagnon's B-I-L (April)
 *Donna Garver (May)
 *Dr. Graham (May)
 *Gwen, Jana Robinson's niece
 *Larry Hamm (May)
 *Gary Harmon
 *Marcia Haskins (May)
 *Jim Haynes
 *Ruth Helena
 *Valeta Hole (April)

I-L

*Landon Israelson
 *Jan Mead's deceased daughters' family
 *Jane, Barb Hartness' sister (May)
 *Jean, Cathy Harmon's friend
 *Carrie Jones, Steve Seckman's daughter
 *Saj & Marilyn Kumar
 *Christy Lawrence (May)
 *Lily, Missy Heath's friend
 *Linda, Irene Gagnon's friend
 *Steve Livingston, Mary Carson's brother
 *Logan, his 3 kids, sister & mom (May)
 *Lynch family

MISC.

*Annual Conference
 *Pray for all Caregivers
 *Pray for those who have lost family
 *Our nation to follow the Lord
 *Our Lord change our hearts
 *Mass shootings, victims, families, & communities
 *Those struggling with health issues & depression – ask for the Lord's intervention
 *Those impacted by the tornadoes & severe storms

M-R

*Irene Martin & her family & friends
 *Issy Miller
 *John Murray, Erin's F-I-L (May)
 *Bob Palmer (May)
 *Patrick, Ryan's cousin
 *Gabbie & Matt Pippin
 *James Primm, Mike Prinn's brother
 *Regina & children
 *Mary Robey
 *Paul Robinson
 *Royal's D-I-L

S-Z

*Rick Sample, friend of Roy Hayden
 *Phyllis Seidl's S-I-L
 *Skip, Tim Souder's brother
 *Debbie Senters
 *Tim & Colleen Souders
 *Stouce, Bob, Jan Hal's friend
 *Kasa Stroub
 *Rich Tyler (April)
 *Peggy Valerio
 *Steve Walker, Cathy Durano's friend
 *Hardy Wasson
 *Ashley Connaly Weaver, friend of Jan Hale-Mansfield
 *Brenda Wimmers
 *Wyatt, Erin Murray's nephew

SYMPATHIES TO FAMILIES/FRIENDS IN THE PASSING OF:

Dick Wasson (May)
 Lori Robertson's mom (May)
 Rosella Eilerts, Dan Eilert's mom (April)
 Doris Wyatt's B-I-L & S-I-L (April)
 Don Snyder, friend of Nancy Mattke (May)
 Joyce Adams, Dave Wall's sister (May)

Thank You "Thank you for your cards and condolences after the passing of Dan Eilert's mom Rosella Eilert. Your kind words are appreciated. Mom lived a good life and was ready to enter her eternal life at the age of 97." Dan and Tammy Eilert



Roy, Harold Connell, Russ & Frank

AUMC TO McCurdy in New Mexico

On May 15, 2023, 3 men from AUMC joined 9 other Methodists to journey to McCurdy in Espanola, New Mexico for purposes of tearing down an old garage. Roy Hayden, Russ Thiel and Frank Mattke represented us well. Roy Hayden who volunteers at Habitat for Humanity linked up with Glen Tombaugh about the need for the trip and encouraged Russ and Frank to go. A little extra connection was that Melissa Connell's grandfather was on the trip.

Monday was a travel day. Tuesday they got to work. The structure was adobe with stucco on the walls. The roof had a number of layers – tin, tar, shingles and sheeting board. The goal was to salvage as much wood and usable items as possible from the roof. They got most of the shingles off on Tuesday and removed the remainder of the roof on Wednesday. The "junk" filled a large dumpster. Then the walls! Those were not built to be torn down but finally, it was done.

As always on these mission work trips, there was some fun. With this group – mostly eating at some good southwestern restaurants – one in Santa Fe and of course there was ice cream. They were responsible for preparing their own breakfasts and lunches. Sleep came easy – hard work.

AUMC has a history with McCurdy with various groups going over a number of years.

Thanks Roy, Russ and Frank for your good work.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

JUNE & 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, Single Seniors
 10:00am Third Sundays – Coffee with Pastor
 11:00am Praise Service – with contemporary music & children's involvement - In-Person & Online

TUESDAY – 9am Coffee @ Dunkin Doughnuts

WEDNESDAY- (summer break starts 5/31/23 w/ no Wed. events)
 6:00pm Community Meal
 6:30pm Weekly Wesley Bible Study
 6:30 –7:30pm KidsConnect
 6:30-8:00pm Crossfit Youth Ministry
 6:45-7:45pm Choir Practice

5/26-27/23	5pm-9am	Friday & Sat,	Crossfit Lock-in
5/28/23	6:30pm	Sunday	Crossfit & Club 45 game night
5/28/23	11:15am	Sunday	Senior Singles @ Red Robin
5/29/23		Monday	Office Closed-Memorial Day
6/4-10/23		Sunday-Sat.	HS Mission trip to OKC
6/4/23	11:15am	Sunday	Senior Singles @ Stearman's
6/5/23	6-8pm	Monday	You're Fired night-Kids & MS
6/5/23	6:30pm	Monday	Pack Open Door lunches
6/11/23	11:15am	Sunday	Senior Singles @ KFC, Andov.
6/16/23	Day trip	Friday	Senior Singles to Lindsburg
6/17/23	5pm	Saturday	Lord's Diner
6/18/23	11:15am	Sunday	Senior Singles @ Terradyne
6/19-23/23		Mon.-Fri	Middle sch. camp
6/25/23	11:15am	Sunday	Senior Singles @ New Japan.
6/27/23	6:30pm	Tuesday	Unified Board Meeting
6/28/23	6-8pm	Wednesday	Cooking Night-kids
7/3/23	6:30pm	Monday	Pack Open Door lunches
7/5-7/23		Wed/-Fri.	Kids camp
7/7 & 7/8	10am	Fri.-Sat.	VBS Setup
7/9-13/23	5:30pm	Sun.-Thurs.	VBS dinner
7/9-13/23	6:00pm	Sun.-Thurs.	VBS
7/12/23	Day trip	Wednesday	Senior Singles to Yoder
7/15/23	5pm	Saturday	Lord's Diner
7/16-22/23		Sun.-Sat.	MS trip to Loveland, CO
7/17-21/23		Mon-Fri.	HS Camp
7/23/23	11:15am	Sunday	Senior Singles @Applebees
7/25/23	6:30pm	Tuesday	Unified Board Meeting
8/2/23	6-8pm	Wednesday	Messy Night Kids & Youth
8/7/23	6:30pm	Monday	Pack Open Door lunches
8/9/23	Day trip	Wednesday	Senior Singles to Ponca City
8/19/23	5pm	Saturday	Lord's Diner
8/22/23	6:30pm	Tuesday	Unified Board Meeting

Food Bank Tues. 10am-1pm; Wed. 3-6pm

CELEBRATIONS



June Anniversaries

June Birthdays

02 Sarah Maupin	18 Bob Pippin
04 Jan Brady	19 Karlyn Bradford
04 Jennifer Guerrie	24 Miles Armbrister
08 Zach Brooks	25 Doris Wyatt
10 Royal Owens	26 Eric Wetheimer
12 Joel Fulghum	26 Debbie Senters
17 Ben Banks	30 Robert Palmer
17 Joshua Jacobsen	30 Eric Becker
18 David Oles	

01 Steve & Jody Huxman-Ramirez
04 Les & Karol Hastings
06 Ben & Sara Banks
07 Randy & Debbie Shields
18 Mike & Jennifer Primm
21 Dean & Debbie Senters
22 Frank & Nancy Mattke

Happy June!

As you're reading this our high schoolers are most likely getting ready to head down to Oklahoma City for our high school mission trip. We have 3 adults and 5 students spending the week working and learning together! We ask for your prayers as we connect with the people of OKC and with each other. During the summer as we are traveling a lot for youth group things, vacations, family events, and everything else we know that we might not all be together all summer but we are praying for every single youth, and adult that's involved with Crossfit Youth Ministries. Check out the schedule below to see how you can stay connected this summer.

June 4th - 10th - High School Mission Trip to Oklahoma City, OK

June 7th - First Wednesday of Hump Day Happy Hour

Join the youth group at Sonic every Wednesday at 3pm to catch up and hang out during the week.

June 7th - Middle School Youth & Kids Connect @ You're Fired!

Middle Schoolers and kids (and parents!) are invited to meet at You're Fired to paint ceramics together.

June 11th - VBS Training

All adults and middle and high school volunteers should come to this training if possible to prepare for VBS in July!

June 11th - Game Night!

*** This game night has been moved up from June 25th to avoid meeting on the 18th (Father's Day), and to accommodate a wedding reception on the 25th.

June 19th - 23rd - Middle School Camp @ Camp Horizon!

All middle school students are invited to sign up for Camp Horizon! See Melissa for more info if needed

I'd like to send out some thanks in advance for those adults that are going to be a part of our Sunday School teacher rotation this summer. It's so important for the youth to connect with different adults, and when I can't be there every week I'm so grateful to know that we have some awesome people to pour into our youth on Sunday mornings. You all are awesome, and SOOO appreciated!

Peace,

Melissa Connell

Director of Youth Ministries

(316) 650-5933 ~ melissac@andoverumc.com

▶▶▶ CHILDREN'S CHATTER

Summer time is officially here. It also means lots of fun things going at church! Please take time to consider and pray about the ways you could impact the life of a child. VBS is in July and we could use you to help! VBS is always so much fun!

Blessings,
Erin

You're Fired - Wednesday, June 7 at 6p-8p

We will meet at You're Fired! Ceramics (301 W Central Ave Ste 100, Andover, KS 67002)

Bring \$10-15 to paint your own ceramic piece

Cooking Night - Wednesday, June 28 at 6p-8p

We will use the kitchen to make our own Breakfast for Dinner

Elementary Camp -Camp Horizon July 5-7 Overnight

Messy Night - Wednesday, August 2 at 6p-8p

Come prepared to get MESSY! Bring a towel and a change of clothes.



VBS Training - Sunday, June 11 at 12p OR Sunday, June 25 at 12p

VBS Set up - Saturday, July 10am

VBS - Twists & Turns - Sunday, July 9 - Thursday, July 13

VBS Family Night starting at 7p on Thursday, July 13

Children



Volunteer



Donate



ANDOVER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

GAME Night

Thursday, July 13

6p-7p VBS
Short VBS program to follow

7p-7:45p
Board Games!
Ice cream!
Fun!

Any questions, please contact
733-1644
erinm@andoverumc.com

A Night for Family Fun

Bring your family or friends to join the event!

Visit Children's Ministry Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/aumckidsmin

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



Game Night
Thurs. July 13th
6-7p VBS
7-7:45p Board Games,
Ice cream & fun
Bring your family or friends



**Vacation Bible
School**
July 9th-13th
5:30p dinner
6:00p VBS



**Memorial
Day**

May 29th

OUR STAFF

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