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**January
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**ANDOVER UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

P.O. Box 519
Andover, KS 67002

SUNDAY SERVICES

**TRADITIONAL 9:00AM
IN PERSON & LIVESTREAM
(FACEBOOK AUMCKS)**

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM

**PRAISE SERVICE 11AM
IN PERSON & LIVESTREAM**

MEDIA CONNECTIONS

Website:

www.andoverumc.com

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

The Outreach Newsletter:

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WORD FROM THE PASTOR

¹ In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Genesis 1:1-5

My favorite Calvin and Hobbes comic is the last one. Endings can be very sad and when I realized that Bill Watterson had ended the comic he authored long before I started reading them I too was sad. Then I read the last comic. Snow had fallen everywhere and Calvin and Hobbes comment to each other that it looks like a new world full of possibilities... like a blank piece of paper waiting for the author's creation. The last frame Calvin says to Hobbes "It's a magical world out their ol' buddy... Lets go exploring!"

2021 has come to an end. I imagine there were both highs and lows you experienced in this past year. As we look toward 2022, we be filled with trepidation about Covid, midterm elections, international politics or we can see a new day to create in. God took darkness and chaos and brought out of it light and life. Like an artist drawing a cartoon God designed a magical world for us to experience with each other and with God. Today is a day of hope. I invite you to find an "ol' buddy" or a new buddy to go exploring with. Explore locations and places. Explore bible passages and prayer. Explore books, films, restaurants and new experiences. Explore small groups and mission. Explore contemplative prayer and outrageous expression. Explore. For God made a magical world for us!

Blessings Pastor Ryan

➤➤➤ FOR YOUR INFORMATION

2022 Nominations - Simplified, Accountable Structure

Andover UMC Church Unified Board

The Unified Board of Andover UMC will be a 12 person board with 9 members being nominated into three year classes:
1 Lay Leader, 1 Lay Representative to Annual Conference, and the Pastor.

The following persons will serve as the Unified Board, fulfilling the Disciplinary roles and responsibilities of Church Council, Trustees, Finance, and Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee.

Term to Serve	Person's Name
Lay Leader for 2022	Dave Valerio
LRAC for 2022	Barb Hartness
Class of 2022	Paul Robinson
	Bob Phippen
	Rae Thiel
Class of 2023	Brenda DeHass
	Shermae Kneisel
	Anita Evans
Class of 2024	Cathy Durano
	John Hope
	Nita Jackson

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Pastor (Chairperson) and Lay Leader		
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Tony Durano	Jana Robinson	Tammy Eilert

NOVEMBER WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

DATE	Adult Serv In Person 9:00	Adult Serv In Person 11:00	Adult Serv. On Line 9:00	Adult serv On Line 11:00	Totals
11/7/21	66	22	90	34	212
11/14/21	61	22	70	42	195
11/21/21	64	24	120	52	260
11/28/21	64	24	74	57	219

ANDOVER UNITED
METHODIST

MISSION STATEMENT

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

➤➤➤ MINISTRY UPDATES

Worship in January– HOPE!



How can we get 2022 off to a good start? With HOPE! Both in scriptures and in our own experiences God has shown us hope.

To help us discover hope I invite you to join us on a 21 day fast starting Jan 9th. We will celebrate the New Year on Jan 2nd and instead of making new year resolutions begin a plan to truly discern our hope for 2022. Different types of fasting will be examined so each person is able to pick one that will be the right level of challenging yet doable for them. After a week of discernment, we will begin our fast on Jan 9th.

Jan 2nd- New Year Sunday

Genesis 1:1-5;26-31 and Matthew 2:1-12

Jan 9th- Seeking Hope

Genesis 15:1-6 and Luke 3:15-17

Jan 16th – Hope brings Encouragement

Exodus 4:1-17 and John 2:1-22

Jan 23rd- Hope brings Difficulty

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10 and Luke 4:14-30

Jan 30th- Hope brings Transformation

Jeremiah 1:4-10 and Luke 5:1-11

➤➤➤ MINISTRY TEAM UPDATE

Connecting with our Community Team

Decided to outreach to our community by hosting a chili cookoff Feb. 26th.

Connecting with God Team

Invites you to 21 days of prayer and fasting. New Year's resolutions are often made with little thought. This year the Connecting with God team invites you to bring in the year with discernment. On Sunday January 2nd, we will celebrate the beginning of the new year and handout resources for 21 days of prayer and fasting which we will begin on January 9th. The resources will help you decide what type of fasting you are able to do so you can enter with a step towards success for the 21 days of prayer and fasting. Join us as we discern and connect with God to begin 2022!

Connecting with Each Other Team

Invites you to start off the new year with hope! We will be having a bible study over hope and are considering having it either offsite in the community or in the church. If you are interested in being a part of a short-term study let us know as we connect with each other to spread hope of Christ!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

EVENTS

SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

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

No Wed. events or community meal 1/5. Start again 1/12.

12/31/21		Friday	Office closed
1/2/22		Sunday	New Year Worship
1/2/22		Sunday	AUMC kids POP into a New Year
1/5/22		Wed.	No Wed. events or community meal
1/9/22	4pm	Sunday	Food Bank work day
1/16/21		Sunday	Human Relations Day
1/17/22		Monday	Office closed-Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Food Bank Tues. 10am-1pm; Wed. 3-6pm
 Sat. 1/29/22 10am-12pm

QCC-Qualified Charitable Contribution

A Qualified Charitable Contribution (QCC) is a NON-TAXABLE distribution from an IRA that is owned by an individual who is age 70 1/2 or older. The Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is paid directly by the trustee of the IRA to an organization eligible to receive tax deductible contributions, ie AUMC.

If you make donations to AUMC and qualify to make QCC, you could save income taxes on your AUMC Qualified Charitable Contributions. It is possible to set QCC donations on any time schedule you prefer (weekly, monthly, etc) to meet your pledge and/or for special giving. Consult your financial advisor or tax advisor for information about how you can make your contributions to AUMC without reporting those distributions as income on your tax return.

Thank you,
 Finance

Andover Community

Food Bank

JANUARY

Open Tues.
 10am - 1pm

Open Wed.
 3 - 6pm

Open Sat. 1/29
 10am-12pm

Thank-Yous

To the AUMC Women: Thank you so much for the goodies I received from you. Such a nice gift and so tasty. Yum!
 ***** Doris Wyatt

Dear AUMC, thank you for supporting Human Kind with an underwear donation drive! With help from you and many other organizations around Wichita we are able to help around 1400 individuals in our shelters every year. We couldn't do our important work without incredible organizations like you. Thank you!
 ***** Arielle Steck, Volunteer & Events Manager

AUMC: A note of "thanks" to our church family. Thank you so much for the meals, prayers, & cards you sent during my recent surgery. The comfort in well wishes & prayers during that time, meant a lot to me. Thank you again, Peggy Valerio

AUMC: This has been a tough 18 months for lots of us. I just had to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for both the Food Bank & the blessing of a nice Thanksgiving meal. We enjoyed everything so much. I Thank God for you!
 ***** Deborah Carroll

AUMC Women: Thank you for the tasty "Love Offering." What a thoughtful thing to do! It is perfect as Michael loves the fruit and Kathy gravitates towards anything with sugar in it. The snowflake cookies didn't last long. We appreciate your generosity and your time. Thank you, too, to the delivery driver. Kathy Halfman

AUMC: Thank you for your prayers, calls, etc. Jana Robinson

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PRAYER REQUESTS

Illness & Treatment:

Irene Martin	Creighton Tyler	Peggy Valerio	Tammy Eilert
Mike DeHass	Jana Robinson	Marge Snyder	Al Gagnon
Peggy Valerio	Kay Reissig	Irene Gagnon's brother-in-law	
Tammy, Nancy Wests' friend		Thurston, Russ Theil's brother	
Nadine Hayden's cousin		Bob Bayer, Laurel Delimont's friend	
Buff Buffington, Don & Willa Edwards son-in-law & family			
Continued healing for those recovering from surgeries or procedures			
All those with Covid		Covid treatment around the world	
Those dealing with health issues and recovering from surgery.			
Steven McBride, Mark Hartness's great nephew			
Brenda Wimmers, Peggy Valerio's sister			
Russ & Rae Thiel's youngest "grand"			
Dave Valerio's 2 cousins			
Trisha Pike, Dave Wall's niece			

Other:

New Year
 Dan & Tammy Eilert
 Peggy Creed
 Haley, Nancy & Bob West's niece
 Betty Rich

Sympathies to Families/Friends in the Passing of:

Lloyd Creed (Dec.)
 Erin Murray's aunt (Dec.)
 Scott Hannon's friend Bob's wife

CELEBRATIONS

The children & those involved with the Christmas program-
 Good job!

Thanks to Dave Wall for years of service with the accounting team!



January Birthdays

06	Karen Kealey	17	Whitney Watson
06	Matthew Voth	18	Bess Hinz
09	Paul Robinson	19	Karol Hastings
09	Rhonda Warren	21	Christine Eney
10	Betty Carter	23	Merle Craig
10	Julia Primm	23	Lauren Durano Smith
11	Marjorie Snyder	23	Derek DeHass
11	Gracie Cook	25	Myrna Craig
15	Abbie Fulghum	28	Karey Padding

December Anniversaries

09	Neil & Eileen Hodges
20	Michael & Kathryn Halfman
21	Andy & Audra Heinze
28	Carl & Janet Knight

➤➤➤ CROSSFIT YOUTH NEWS

Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe that 2022 is already here, but after the last few years I guess nothing really surprises me anymore! I want to thank everyone that's put in their time and effort to make 2021 a wonderful year, and thank you in advance to everyone that will help us do the same in 2022!

Here are some events coming up in the near

Weekly Crossfit Schedule	Event	Times
Sundays	Sunday School	10- 11am
Last Sundays of Month	Game Night	6:30-8pm
Wednesdays	Crossfit Youth Group	6:30-8pm
TBD	Confirmation Class	TBD
Special Meetings/Events	Event	Times
Wednesday, January 5th	Mission Trip Info Meeting	TBD
Wednesday, January 12th	1st Crossfit of 2022	6:30-8pm
Monday, January 17th	Service Project (TBD)	10am-2pm
Friday, February 11th	Valentine's Fundraiser Set-Up	3:30-6:30pm
Saturday, February 12th	Valentine's Fundraiser	6-9pm
Saturday, February 26th	Community Chili Cook-Off	TBD
Wednesday, March 2nd	Ash Wednesday	
Wednesday, March 16th	No Crossfit (Spring Break)	

Information and sign-up for the Valentine's Day Fundraiser should have made it to your inboxes by now! I want to remind you that all students going on a 2022 mission trip need to participate in this fundraiser in some way. We will also be making and selling Dave Valerio's famous lasagna as a fundraiser in late January. More information on that fundraiser will be out soon! It's going to be a great year, and I'm so glad that I get to spend it with all of you! I hope you have a good start to the New Year!

Peace,

Melissa Connell

Director of Youth Ministries

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➤➤➤ CHILDREN'S CHATTER

Dear AUMC families,

Happy New Year!

As we come to end of the year, I am thankful for all the opportunities the children have been given.

VBS was an awesome experience and outreach. All the volunteers who took the time to touch a child's life. Camp Horizon. Christmas program and all the talents of our children.

With a new year comes new opportunities. As we make our New Year's resolutions, don't forget to include God.

1. Read your Bible more
2. Pray more
3. Keep your body and mind healthy
4. Try to do your best in all you do

It's a New Year. Let your light shine!
Blessings,
Erin

Kids Happenings

Sunday School-Sundays-In person or
Zoom-10am

1/2: Pop into a New Year-Wear your
PJs & Pop-tarts

Kids Connect-Wednesdays-6:30-7:30
(Begins 1/12/22)

1/12: Pop into a New Year-Enjoy
popcorn & games

Family ideas

Build a snowman

Try a new flavor of hot chocolate

Teach your kids some cool facts about
MLK and listen to

his "I Have a Dream" speech
together.



Visit Children's Ministry Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/aumckidsmin

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



**CONNECTING
With
GOD**

MAY YOU SHINE
THE LIGHT OF
CHRIST IN THE
NEW YEAR!

Rejoice evermore
Pray without ceasing
This is the will for
you in **Christ Jesus**
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

21 Days of
Prayer & Fasting
Begins Jan. 9th
Receive Information
Jan. 2nd

Let us **Fix Our Eyes** on
JESUS
The Author & Perfecter
of Our Faith
Hebrews 12:2

OUR STAFF

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