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**April  
2022**

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**ANDOVER UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

P.O. Box 519  
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## **SUNDAY SERVICES**

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

**SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM**

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

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The Outreach Newsletter:

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## **WORD FROM THE PASTOR**

*But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Luke 24:1-5*

The question the angels asked the women is an interesting one, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" Often we talk about the resurrection of Jesus in how it connects us to eternal life. This hope is true and there is more to it than that. We don't have to wait until death to experience new life in Christ. At times it can feel like we are not truly alive. Technically we are not dead, our heart is beating and lungs are working but we feel dead inside. The amazing power of healing and resurrection we find in Christ calls us to life, to hope, to joy. This Easter I invite you to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the gift of grace and love of God, and the knowledge that we can know those gifts today.

God Bless,

Pastor Ryan

## ➤➤➤ FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### The Annual Andover United Methodist Rummage sale



- Will be held, **April 7, 8, & 9, 2022.**
- Begin gathering your treasures to bring to the sale.
- Rummage Sale Intake will be on the following dates6
  - Saturday, **March 26th 1-3 pm**
  - Saturday, **April 2nd 10:00 am – noon**
- Other drop off times may be requested by calling 655-8490.

If you have small or large items that you would like to donate and need to be picked up, please call Tammy Eilert 655-8490. We will make arrangements for that to happen.



### LOAVES OF LOVE

Looking for volunteers to bake **40 loaves of bread** to share with people in our community. We envision these being "loaves" only (i.e. no cinnamon rolls) and can be yeast breads or quick breads. These 'Loves of Love' will be wrapped by the church and a note attached designed to be appropriate for those who will receive the bread. What a great way to celebrate sharing love with others during Lent! We are also looking for volunteers to deliver the loaves. The Youth are already on board and will be delivering around the church. You may wish to deliver to someone who you enjoy when you checkout of a store, a friend who needs to know someone is thinking of them, or just a person you meet in your area of the world! We would appreciate knowing the stories! Sign up to donate bread by **April 10th** by calling Barb Hartness—316-733-2136.



Would you like to volunteer to donate candy or use your trunk as a station? Use this QR code to check out the volunteer options.

### HANDS 2 SERVE

April 9, 2022 8am-noon

An annual community-based program to help those who need a bit of help keeping up with yards & small home projects.

Sign up sheet to help with this event at Welcome Center

### ANDOVER UNITED METHODIST

#### MISSION STATEMENT

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

### FEBRUARY 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
2/6/22	83	81	80	34	278
2/13/22	80	32	90	42	244
2/20/22	58	22	130	88	298
2/27/22	53	38	71	31	193

## ➤➤➤ MINISTRY UPDATES

### April Worship

Join us for all the amazing worship services we will be having for Holy week and Easter!

- 4/10 Palm Sunday service at 9am and 11am
- 4/14 Maundy Thursday 6:30pm
- 4/15 Good Friday 6:30pm (Service will also be streamed)
- 4/17 Easter Morning services at 9am and 11am

### Sleep out ICT

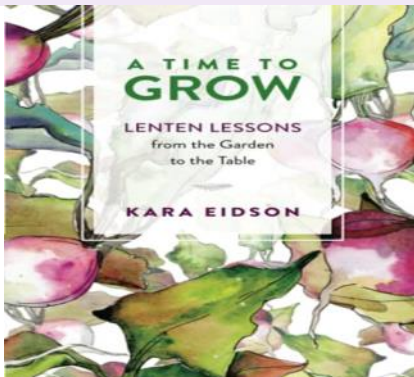
Last year we began partnering with Human Kind of Wichita and their outreach to the homeless in our community. One way to Human Kind is inviting the community to partner with them is through an event called Sleep Out ICT. It is both a event to raise awareness and a fundraiser to provide housing. It cost HumanKind \$25 a night to give someone a place to stay. We encourage you to participate as you are able. If you would like to give a financial donation you can donate online by going to <https://www.humankindwichita.org> and click the Sleep Out ICT '22 link or you can use this QR code:



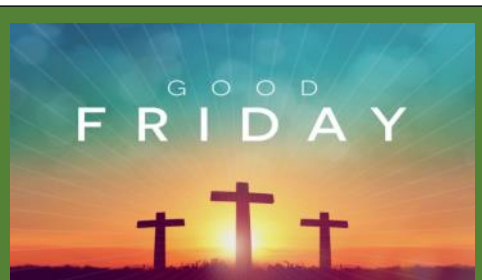
**Everyone deserves a safe place to sleep, yet there are more than 600 homeless individuals in Wichita on any given night.**

At HumanKind, we know the problem doesn't stop there—we serve between 1,200 and 1,500 unduplicated individuals each year in our homeless shelters alone. We invite you to give up your bed for one night and sleep *anywhere else* as an act of solidarity with our homeless neighbors. Whether you sleep in a tent in your backyard, a fort in your living room, or a park with friends, it will be your most impactful night's sleep ever.

**Lent Study–** We have a Lenten study over the book *A Time To Grow* that takes us from the garden either our garden or God's to the Table. Join us on Sundays at 2pm at the Rusted Rooster. Study ends April 10th. Contact Pastor Ryan if you would like a book and are interested in going.



**Service April 14th 6:30pm**



**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**SERVICE**  
**APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> 6:30 PM**  
**In Person & Online**

**He is RISEN**

**EASTER SERVICES**

**APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>**

9:00 am Traditional

11:00 am Praise Service

In Person & Online

## ➤➤➤ MINISTRY TEAM UPDATE

2022 6000 hours of service and connection as of 3/20/22 1500+ total hours.



# 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

3/26/22	1-3 pm	Saturday	Rummage Sale intake
3/27/22	2:00 pm	Sunday	Lent Study @ Rusted Rooster
3/27/22	6:30-8pm	Sunday	Crossfit Game Night
3/26/22	1-3:00 pm	Saturday	Rummage Sale intake
3/27/22	10:00 am	Sunday	Celebrating and Visioning for 2022
4/2/22	10am-12pm	Saturday	Rummage Sale Intake
4/7-9		Thur-Sat.	Rummage Sale
4/9/22	8am-noon	Saturday	Hands2Serve
4/10/22		Sunday	Palm Sunday
4/10/22	1-2:00 pm	Sunday	Egg-cellent Easter Adventure
4/10/22	2:00 pm	Sunday	Lent Study @ Rusted Rooster
4/14/22	6:30 pm	Thursday	Maunday Thursday
4/15/22	6:30 pm	Friday	Good Friday Service In person & online
4/17/22		Sunday	Easter
4/26/22	6:30 pm	Tuesday	Unified Board meeting
7/18-22-22			Vacation Bible School

Food Bank Tues. 10am-1pm; Wed. 3-6pm Sat. 4/30/22 10am-12pm

Andover Community Chili Cookoff, Feb. 26th  
 Update:

We had 12 entries for chili tasting and 12 crocks of soup for everyone to partake in. Three winners were identified by the tasters and they enjoyed the cash prizes sponsored by Ryan Bippart of Edward Jones and Equity Bank. We certainly appreciated this support. Lots of people showed up from the community as well as from our church. This was, after all, a community event. The monies from the \$2 taste testing kits as well as the donation jar totaled \$376! Those funds were disbursed to the Sunlight Children's Home and the Andover Community Food Bank. It was. As they say, A SUCCESS! Thank you to everyone!

thank  
you

Bob and Nancy West want to thank you for all the calls, cards, & prayers for Bob's surgery! All went Well!

United Methodists  
 Women have a new name. Now United Women in Faith. The first item on their website states: "We believe love in action can change the world." check it out at uwfaith.org



United Women in Faith

## Andover Community Food Bank APRIL

Open:

Tues. 10am - 1pm

Wed. 3 - 6pm

Sat. 4/30 10am-12pm

Quilting Team:

Accepting individuals quilts for hand quilting. Call the church number, 316-733-1644, and leave a message that you want a quilt hand quilted.

Fill My Cup circle met on March 7. Cheryl Wertheimer told us about the International Relief Committee (IRC) with which she volunteers. They help refugees get resettled. Currently, the emphasis is on Afghans who were helpful to American troops and need to move for their safety. They need everything to set up a life - homes and the contents, English language lessons, jobs, and on. Cheryl has helped with teaching English, with working at the reception desk at the office and transporting people to appointments.

We gathered items to help set up homes. These supplies were delivered to St. James Episcopal Church where the items will be organized into kits - bathroom, kitchen, etc. and then will be given to IRC.

The pictures show our contributions.



# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Kasa Straub	Kathy Halfman	Marcia Haskins	Colleen Sounders
Bob West	Dick Wasson	Betty Rich	Mike DeHass
Marge Snyder	Al Gagnon	John Harostripe	Irene Martin
Patty Pike, Dave Wall's niece		Tim Sauder's mom	
Shirley McDonald, Barb Hartness' 1st cousin		Jana Robinson	Bill Miler, wife Issy
Joshua Hollerich, Barb Hartness' 1st cousin's grandson			
Irene Gagnon's brother-in-law		Brenda Wimmers, Peggy Valerio's sister	
Dave Valerio's 2 cousins		Thurston, Russ Thiel's brother	
Peggy Creed & family		Kim Fulghum's whole family	
Stephen McBride, Mark Hartness great-nephew			
Those who lost family & friends from Covid			
Struggling with health issues and depressions and need our Lord's intervention			
Russian's, Ukraine's, & the World's leaders and innocent lives and the Lord's intervention			

Sympathies to  
Families/Friends in the Passing of:

**Family and friends in the passing of  
Dean Senters Uncle Glen (March)**

Family and friends in the passing of Kay & Keith  
Reissing's cousin Courtney (Feb.)



Easter Lily dedication order form will be available  
Sunday March 27th. Fill in your dedication to—  
In celebration of and/or In honor of.  
Lily cost is \$8.75



## April Birthdays

02 Nolan Wright	19 Mark Hartness
03 Robert West	19 Hannah Hayden
03 Rachel Paris	19 Ruth Helena
06 Brent Jones	19 Jim Laubach
07 Audra Heinze	19 Jan Hale-Mansfield
09 Mark Padding	21 Erik Starr
11 Corey Cranmer	23 Tony Durano
12 Justin Petersen	23 Aaron Schuster
13 Renee Becker	27 Owen Hayden
14 Grace Harrison	27 Tim Maupin
16 Rylie Baker	28 Darla Bittle
18 Sharon Laubach	28 Nyomi Armbrister
18 Lynette Jacobsen	30 Simon Armbrister

## April Anniversaries

15	Victor & Jennifer Guerri
18	Justin & Ashley Haynes
26	Walter & Dorothy Westphall

# ➤➤➤ **CROSSFIT YOUTH NEWS**

**Happy April!**

Spring is finally here and we are hitting the ground running. I first want to thank everyone that helped us set up for the rummage sale, that's such a huge help and we're glad to be a part of it! Don't forget to stop by during the sale, all the money raised goes back into our community! Here's what's going on with Crossfit this month:

**Regular meetings on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm**

**Hands 2 Serve on April 9th from 8am-noon(ish)**

**Egg-cellent Easter Adventure lunch and helping out on April 10th from 12-2pm**

**Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services on April 14th and 15th**

**Easter Sunday on April 17th**

**Mission Trip Meeting on April 20th from 6:30-7pm.**

**Game night on April 24th from 6:30-8pm**

This Lenten season we have been talking about the importance of creating space in your life for God, and I hope we can continue to do so as the year closes out. We'd love to see your families at our Holy Week services and on Easter Sunday to help us celebrate our risen savior! I hope everyone has a fantastic April, and thank you for being a part of our ministry!

**Peace,**

**Melissa Connell**

**Director of Youth Ministries**

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# ➤➤➤ CHILDREN'S CHATTER

Dear AUMC families,

Spring has arrived (I think). It is a season that holds surprises, like allergies, rain, even snow. Life is filled with surprises. Some surprises, like playing with a Jack-in-the-Box, make us happy.

Spring also reminds us of new life and new beginnings is all around us. I become so excited with each blooming flower, the warmth of the sun, and each vibrant color provided by spring. The renewal of life seems to be upon us in so many ways.

The beautiful blooming is a great reminder of God's grace and love. The promise of Easter and hope in the resurrection is similar to the initial hints of Spring.

Another reason we have to be happy today is that the grave where Jesus was buried is empty. He is alive and He loves us very much! And one day He is going to bring us to heaven so we can live with Him forever.

Blessings,  
Erin

## Volunteers Needed

Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings  
Egg-cellent Easter Adventure- Car trunks, Candy, Storytellers  
VBS-Donations, Station Leaders, Children Leaders

## Family Ideas

**Resurrection Egg Craft-** Make your own resurrection eggs to tell the story of Jesus' journey to the cross and his resurrection. With simple instructions and common items, this do-it-yourself craft will allow children of all ages to engage with the Easter story.

**Easter Traditions and Customs Around the World-** The gift of salvation through the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ never changes but how we remember and celebrate the good news of Jesus does. Learn about many different Easter Customs and how Easter Traditions came into being.

<https://www.whyecaster.com/customs/>

**Plant Flowers-** The saying is "April showers bring May flowers" so that makes spring the perfect time to plant flowers. Visit your local plant nursery to find what grows best in your area.

**Cloud Gaze-** Grab a blanket and lay it out on the grass on a day where the sky is a mix of cloud and sun. Invite everyone to lay down on the blanket and watch the clouds roll by. Ask the kids what they see in the clouds. What does the shape of each one remind them of?

## What's happening?

Sundays-Sunday School- In person and via Zoom (10a)  
Wednesdays-Kids Connect-6:30-7:30p  
Sunday, April 10 – Palm Sunday  
Sunday, April 10 -Egg-cellent Easter Adventure  
Sunday, April 17-Easter  
May-End of School Bash-TBD  
July 18-22- Evenings-VBS-Food Truck Party

Visit Children's Ministry Facebook page:

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



## IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



**Egg-cellent  
Easter  
Adventure**



**Palm Sunday April 10**  
**Maundy Thursday Service**  
April 14 6:30pm  
**Good Friday Service**  
April 15 6:30pm  
In person & Online  
**Easter Services**  
9am & 11am –In person & Online

**Egg-cellent  
Easter Adventure**

**Sunday April 10th  
1-2pm**

**Annual Andover United  
Methodist Rummage Sale**  
April 7, 8, 9

**Intakes–**  
**Sat. 3/26 1-3pm**  
**Sat. 4/2 10am-12pm**

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