

# the outreach

**August  
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](http://www.andoverumc.com)

AUMC Online Church Directory:

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

The Outreach Newsletter:

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

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## WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Happy August Andover!

Worship in August

Aug 8<sup>th</sup>- *Matthew 14: 31-36; 15:21-39* Continue the adventure!

It was coming to the end of the day of teaching and the disciples came to Jesus asking him to send the people home. Jesus instead decided to continue the adventure. Join us to celebrate scholarships for continuing college students as we end the summer with the story of Jesus feeding the 5000.

Science and Faith!

Sir Issac Newton didn't discover gravity or motion, rather he found a rules to describe what is happening. John Wesley didn't discovery discipleship, rather he noticed simple rules to describe how people grow in their faith. We are heading back to school in August by studying Newton's three laws of motion and how they relate to Wesley's three simple rules. Through observation, reflection and interperion you are invited to discover through science and faith a way to stay connected to God.

Aug 13<sup>th</sup>- *Luke 6:46-49* **Faith in Motion Stays in Motion**

Comparing Newton's 1<sup>st</sup> law of motion with Wesley's 3<sup>rd</sup> rule, observe the ordinances of God.

Aug 20<sup>th</sup>- *Luke 6:27-36* **F=m\*a or Faith equals morals amplified by change**

As we celebrate confirmation, we will look at the 2<sup>nd</sup> law's for Wesley and Newton as guide to live our life.

Aug 27<sup>th</sup>- *Luke 6:37-45* **Every Faith has and equal reaction**

We will end our series by exploring how what we put into the world and into faith is what we will get out of it.

## FALL SMALL GROUPS

AUMC is looking into starting new small groups in the fall. These groups will meet both in the church and offsite. If you would like to be part of one of the new groups you can sign up at the welcome desk or sent an e-mail to [ryanl@andoverumc.com](mailto:ryanl@andoverumc.com).

God Bless,  
Pastor Ryan

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## AUMC KIDS & YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

Hump Day Happy Hour @ Sonic 3-4pm, Wed. for youth until 8/2, last one

- August 2nd @ 6-8pm Messy Night - Kids & Youth
- August 6th @ 10am Crossover Ceremony
- August 13th @ 9 & 11 am services Blessing of the Backpacks
- August 20th Confirmation Sunday
- August 27th @ 6:30pm Game Night & Club 45
- September 6th @ 6:30pm Crossfit starts
- September 10th Youth Sunday

AUMC has decided to go a different direction with our Wednesday meals. Instead of being "community meals" the youth and kids ministries are taking over the preparation of meals. Use the QR to sign up to prepare a meal or two this semester!

Preparing Wednesday youth & kids ministry meals sign-up



VBS Celebration Sunday July 30th @ 9am & 11am All Church Members



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.

Blessing of the Backpacks

Aug. 13th @ 9 & 11am services



ANDOVER UNITED METHODIST

MISSION STATEMENT

"Connecting people with the love of God through Jesus"

AUGUST 20TH- COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR @ 10am

For anyone that wants to ask questions about AUMC, membership, Volunteer opportunities, or anything else. You can join him there or reach out at [ryan@andoverumc.com](mailto:ryan@andoverumc.com)



## Senior Singles

Sunday Lunches @ 11:15am, following Sunday School

- July 30th Spangle's
  - August 6th Carlos O'Kelley's
  - August 13th Kentucky Fried Chicken
  - August 20th Livingston's
  - August 27th Applebee's
  - September 3rd Stearman's
- Day Trips  
 Aug. 9th, Day Trip to Ponca City, Pioneer Woman  
 Sept. 13th Abilene

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

## SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY

August 6th

College Scholarships & Caleb M Eilert Memorial Scholarship



CROSSOVER CEREMONY Sunday Aug. 6th @ 10am Incoming 6th graders & Church Family

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

- Love at the Center**—Meets in Room 9. Studying "Everything Must Change" by Brian McLaren starting July 30th
- 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.

## ANDOVER FOOD BANK



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

Tuesday Coffee 9am @ Dunkin Doughnuts every Tues. Connect, pray, and share a devotion

## ➤➤➤ FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Unified Board Report

Since the year more than half-way over, the Unified Board wanted to report on how we are doing on the goals we set last December for 2023. Our first goal was to practice radical hospitality by making our church members be welcoming to new guests and to have our building be a welcoming place. To this end, we are working on a training for radical hospitality that will be happening in October, continuing to contact new guests to inform them about the events going on in the church, and completing the installation of the new technology in the sanctuary. Installation should be complete by the beginning of the school year. We also ask, if you have ideas of ways we can make our building more inviting, please contact any member of the Unified Board.

Our second goal is to promote membership in small groups. One way we have done this is by reporting in the Sunday bulletin and in "This Just In" e-newsletter what each adult Sunday School class is studying. Small groups aren't just limited to Sunday School. There are also opportunities to join the choir or the praise band, join a Bible study on Wednesday nights or Tuesday mornings, go to youth group or children's Wednesday night events, or join our newest group of "Senior Singles." We also track attendance with the hope of having at least 60% of the people who come to worship also attend a small group gathering. When we did a quick look at the numbers, we are around 70% of our regular worship attenders are also involved in at least one small group. The board has heard from the young adult age group that they would like to see a group dedicated to them. Watch for that group in the near future! We hope if you haven't found a small group, that you try one out. Or, if you have an idea for one that you would like to see started, please contact any member of the Unified Board with your idea.

Our third goal is to connect with our community and we have done that through children's programs at Easter and VBS, youth mission trips, an adult mission trip, and the symphony in the park. Coming up in the fall, be sure to mark your calendar for the GAD parade on Saturday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, and walk in the parade with our church float.

The fourth goal is in the area of mission work where we are more than half-way to our goal of 8,000 service hours. We continue to pack lunches for the homeless once per month for United Methodist Open Door ministries, and we are supporting 20 students' educational costs to attend elementary school in Zimbabwe. And of course, many of our members donate and volunteer at the Andover Community Food Bank. In addition, the Women's group has collected snacks for Sunshine House and continues to collect pop tops for Ronald McDonald house.

Our fifth goal is to be involved with social justice issues. We had a speaker come out from Kansas Applesed to learn about food insecurity in Butler County and we are continuing to participate in the DART group that is working on developing a plan to identify and address a need in the Wichita area. Watch for more information coming out in August and September about how you can attend a DART listening session to help identify an area of need that can be addressed.

The Unified Board meetings are on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 pm in the parlor and are open to anyone who wants to attend. If you have ideas or concerns, please contact any board member. The members are Brenda DeHass, Chair Cathy Durano, Annita Evans, Barb Hartness, John Hope, Nita Jackson, Lynette Juresic, Sherame Kneisel, Pastor Ryan Lynch, Frank Mattke, Dave Valerio, and Kaylee Vaughters

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### Symphony in the Park Report

On Saturday, June 24, AUMC sponsored the Symphony in the Park at Andover Central Park. In attendance were the 80 symphony members from the Senseney Symphony and approximately 100 community members. The church provided ice cream for the event and the community brought school supplies for the children of Andover School district who can't afford them. We collected 104 school items at the symphony.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 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
- 3:00pm Third Sundays - Chat, Chew, and Do
- 6:30-8pm Last Sundays -Crossfit & Club 45 Game Night

TUESDAY – 9am Coffee @ Dunkin Doughnuts

WEDNESDAY – 9-11am Quilting Group

9am Fourth Wednesday – Outreach Team

3-4pm Hump Day Happy Hour @ Sonic begins 6/14-- ends 8/2

WEDNESDAY- (Wed. events start again 9/6)

6:30pm Weekly Wesley Bible Study

6:30 –7:30pm KidsConnect

6:30-8:00pm Crossfit Youth Ministry

6:45-7:45pm Choir Practice

|         |          |           |                                    |
|---------|----------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| 7/30/23 |          | Sunday    | VBS Celebration Sunday             |
| 7/30/23 | 11:15am  | Sunday    | Senior Singles @ Spangles          |
| 7/30/23 | 6:30pm   | Sunday    | Game night-Crossfit & Club 45      |
| 8/2/23  | 6-8pm    | Wednesday | Messy Night Kids & Youth           |
| 8/6/23  |          | Sunday    | Scholarship Sunday                 |
| 8/6/23  | 10am     | Sunday    | Crossover Ceremony                 |
| 8/6/23  | 11:15am  | Sunday    | Single Seniors @ Carlos O'Kelley's |
| 8/7/23  | 6:30pm   | Monday    | Pack Open Door lunches             |
| 8/9/23  | Day trip | Wednesday | Senior Singles to Ponca City       |
| 8/13/23 | 9 & 11am | Sunday    | Blessings of Backpacks             |
| 8/19/23 | 5pm      | Saturday  | Lord's Diner                       |
| 8/20/23 |          |           | Confirmation Sunday                |
| 8/20/23 | 11:15am  | Sunday    | Single Seniors @ Livingston's      |
| 8/27/23 | 11:15am  | Sunday    | Single Seniors @ Applee's          |
| 8/27/23 | 6:30pm   | Sunday    | Game Night & Club 45               |
| 8/28/23 | 6:30pm   | Monday    | Unified Board Meeting              |
| 9/3/23  | 11:15am  | Sunday    | Single Seniors @ Stearman's        |
| 9/6/23  |          |           | Wed. events begin                  |
| 9/9/23  |          | Wednesday | Single Sr. Day Trip @Pioneer Woman |
| 9/10/23 |          | Sunday    | Youth Sunday                       |
| 9/13/23 |          | Wednesday | Single Sr. Day Trip @ Abilene      |
|         |          |           |                                    |

FOOD BANK: TUES. 10am-1pm; WED. 3-6pm

## THANK YOU

Willa's shoulder surgery went well and the recovery progressing nicely. She has three more weeks in the recovery process then at least six weeks of PT. Thanks to all for the many cards, phone calls, cards, prayers, and well wishes. We are truly blessed and thankful for our church family. Don and Willa Edwards (note written July 5, 2023)

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## PRAYER REQUEST

| A-B   | I-L   | MISC  |
|---|---|---|
| *Allen, Drew, Jan Mead's grandson<br>*Andrea, Karol Hastings' Tx grandkids Grandmother<br>*Sharon Bahr, friend of Kay Reissig<br>*Clint & Erica (Valerio) Baker & Vivian<br>*Kara Ball, Erica's HS friend<br>*Ron Benton John Hope's cousin<br>*Bobbie, Dennis Hellon's brother<br>*Laura Boone's father<br>*Dan & Krista Bonnensek's parents<br>*Brooke, Bob & Nancy's grand-dght. | *Landon Israelson<br>*Jan Mead's deceased daughters' family<br>*Jane, Barb Hartness' sister<br>*Jean, Cathy Harmon's friend<br>*Carrie Jones, Steve Seckman's daughter<br>*Christy Lawrence<br>*Lily, Missy Heath's friend<br>*Linda, Irene Gagnon's friend<br>*Steve Livingston, Mary Carson's brother<br>*Logan, his 3 kids, sister & mom<br>*Lynch family  | *Pray for students & teachers<br>*Pray for all Caregivers<br>*Pray for those who have lost family<br>*Our nation to follow the Lord<br>*Our Lord change our hearts<br>*Those struggling with health issues & depression – ask for the Lord's intervention |
| C-E   | M-R   |   |
| *Rita Solis Chavez & family<br>*Sharon Bahr, friend of Kay Reissig<br>*Myrna Craig<br>*Daune, Kay Resig's father<br>*Dave, Bob West's b-i-l<br>*Cathy Delimon, Dan Delimont's sister<br>*Dulton baby<br>*Brian Edem<br>*Tammy Eilert's mom<br>*Willia Edwards<br>*Debra Ewing, Justin Kneisel's mom   | *Irene Martin & her family & Friends<br>*Nancy Matkke<br>*Issy Miller<br>*John Murray, Erin's F-I-L<br>*Patrick, Ryan's cousin<br>*Gabbie & Matt Pippin<br>*James Primm, Mike Primm's Brother<br>*Dave Reader, Bob West's B-I-L<br>*Regina & children<br>*Mary Robey<br>*Paul Robinson<br>*Royal's D-I-L  |   |
| F-H   | S-Z   |   |
| *Elma, Irene Gagnon's mom<br>*Al Gagnon<br>*Irene Gagnon's B-I-L<br>*Donna Garver<br>*Dr. Graham<br>*Gwen, Jana Robinson's niece<br>*Larry Hamm<br>*Gary Harmon<br>*Marcia Haskins<br>*Jim Haynes<br>*Ruth Helena<br>*Valeta Hole   | *Rick Sample, friend of Roy Hayden<br>*Scott, Bob West's b-i-l<br>*Phyllis Seidl's S-I-L<br>*Skip, Tim Souder's brother<br>*Dean Senters<br>*Debbie Senters<br>*Tim & Colleen Souders<br>*Stouce, Bob, Jan Hal's friend<br>*Kasa Stroub<br>*Rich Tyler<br>*Dave Valerio<br>*Peggy Valerio<br>*Steve Walker, Cathy Durano's Friend<br>*Dave Wall<br>*Hardy Wasson<br>*Ashley Connaly Weaver, friend of Jan Hale-Mansfield<br>*Brenda Wimmers<br>*Wyatt, Erin Murray's nephew |   |

## CELEBRATIONS

### August Birthdays



### August Anniversaries



|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 02 Debbie Smith         | 20 Doug Snyder      |
| 02 Blake Senters        | 20 Karla Armbrister |
| 03 Nancy Kohnman        | 24 Joyce Hamm       |
| 03 Mary Rose Singletary | 24 Eli Hellon       |
| 08 Kasa Straub          | 27 John Juresic     |
| 09 Ray Templeton        | 30 Ki Fulghum       |
| 12 Rhett Childress      | 30 Mike Roths       |
| 15 Gwen Young           | 30 Eliana Jacobsen  |
| 16 Dave Valerio         | 31 Evan Robinson    |
| 18 Victor Guerrie       |                     |
| 20 Ryan Lynch           |                     |

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| 02 Jerry & Jan Brady       |
| 05 Mark & Barb Hartness    |
| 05 Austin & Terri Delimont |
| 07 Brian & Lynn Slack      |
| 08 Jim & Sharon Laubach    |
| 09 Dan & Laurel Delimont   |
| 09 Steve & Nancy Kohman    |
| 10 Al & Irene Gagnon       |
| 11 Time & Mary Ann Maupin  |
| 16 Kent & Nicole Pippin    |
| 17 Tim & Colleen Souders   |

# ➤➤➤ CROSSFIT YOUTH NEWS

Happy August!

We have now completed both mission trips, middle school and high school camp, and VBS! It's so fun to have full



summers like this where our students are able to connect and grow with each other on different levels. Our middle school mission trip to Loveland, CO was a great trip with 7 students and 3 adults. We had students and adults working on irrigation and other duties at a farm all week, students who got to work at a Habitat for Humanity Restore, and students that got to work at a couple different sites throughout the week. We hiked, laughed, and created memories that will last.

As we get ready for the school year we'd love to see you at some of our final summer events!

- August 2nd - Hump Day Happy Hour @ 3pm
- August 2nd - Messy/ Water Game Night @ 6pm
- August 6th - Crossover Ceremony @ 10am
- August 13th - Blessing of the Backpacks  
Blessing of the Backpacks @ 9 & 11am services
- August 20th - Confirmation Sunday
- August 23rd - Youth Sunday Practice @ 6:30pm
- August 27th - Game Night & Club 45 @ 6:30pm
- August 30th - Youth Sunday Practice @ 6:30pm
- September 6th - Crossfit Starts! @ 6:30pm
- September 10th - Youth Sunday

I would also like to encourage anyone that has students in the Crossfit program to consider signing up to make a Wednesday meal. AUMC has decided to go a different direction with our Wednesday meals. Instead of being "community meals" the youth and kids ministries are taking over the preparation of meals. Use the QR to sign up to prepare a meal or two this semester!



Peace,  
Melissa Connell ~ Director of Youth Ministries  
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# ▶▶▶ CHILDREN'S CHATTER

Dear AUMC families,

What do you get when you combine 36 children, over 25 volunteers, music, dinner, games?  
An amazing time at Twists & Turns!

We were truly blessed with a great VBS! Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with everything from decorating to donations and from food to tear down and to those who helped touch the life of a kiddo!



|                    |                  |                |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Pastor Ryan        | Sara Lynch       | Wes Lynch      | Debbie Smith     |
| Rachel Formy-Duval |                  | Barb Hartness  | Cathy Durano     |
| John Juresic       | Lynette Juresic  | Justin Kniesel | Ember Gracyn     |
| Layne Kniesel      | Kristi Jacobs    | Jeremiah Coym  | Tammy Eilert     |
| Danielle DeHass    | Mike DeHass      | Aaryn Tyler    | Aaron Weatherbie |
| Rae Thiel          | Jon Peters       | Erin Peters    | Melissa Connell  |
| Nadine Hayden      | Carly Weatherbie |                |                  |

VBS and summer vacation have come and gone. It's time to head back to school. This is a new school year. A time for children to start fresh. There will be times in school, and out, when it is hard for your child to do the right thing, but just remember "if God is for us, who can be against us?" Help your children to wear the name of Christ proudly. Pray with your children each day before school. Write a special note and place in a their lunch bag or backpack.

Blessings,  
Erin

### Family ideas

Back to school shopping

Have a date night with each child-Do something they enjoy and check in with them to see how things are going

Spend the night outside August 15 and look at the full moon

National Tell a Joke Day-August 16-Get those jokes ready to go and laugh up a storm

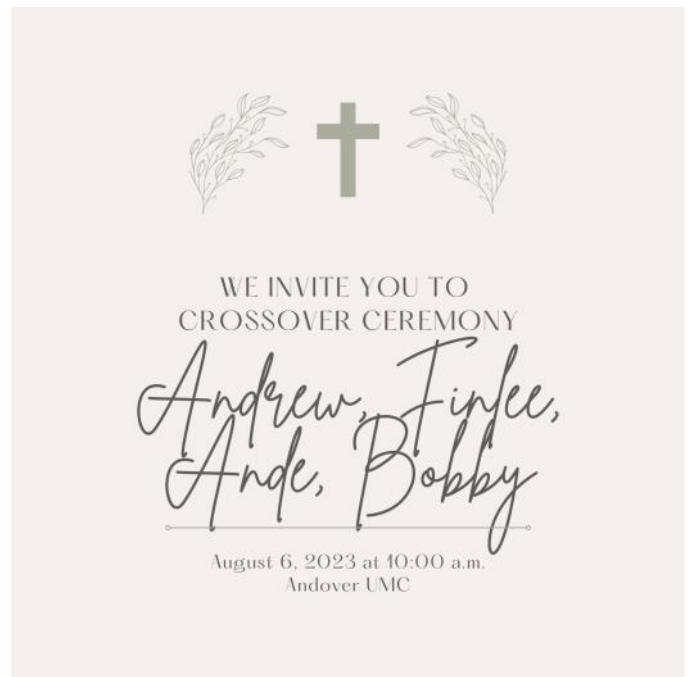
### What's happening?

**Sunday School – 10am**

**Messy Night-August 2- 6-8pm**

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Crossover Ceremony-August 6-10am**

**Blessing of the Backpacks-August 13-During both services**



Visit Children's Ministry Facebook page:

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

## IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



**Messy & Water Game  
Night**

**August 2 @ 6-8  
Kids & Youth**

**Scholarships  
Sunday**

**August 6th**

**Confirmation  
Sunday**

**August 20th**

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