



Good Shepherd

United Methodist Church

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Thoughts from Terilynn



Easter is the most important Christian holiday, even surpassing Christmas.

While driving to church on Easter Sunday a few years ago, Peggy Key of Portage, Michigan shared with her children the Easter story. "This is the day we celebrate Jesus' coming back to life," Peggy explained. Immediately, her 3-year old son piped up from the backseat, "Will he be in church today?"

I hope you will plan to be in church during Holy Week because so many significant events are planned! On Palm Sunday, the Chancel Choir begins with an Easter Cantata. Always a great time to invite and bring guests. Maundy Thursday service begins at 7 pm when we will share in Jesus' Last Supper. The "Maundy" offering that night will go to the mission of Dr. Jeff and Elizabeth Perry as they return to the Sudan to work with refugees fleeing war and conflict.

The Good Friday Service of Shadows starts at 7 pm. Back by popular demand, this production brings home the betrayals, abandonments and loneliness Jesus experienced on the road to the Cross. An Easter Egg hunt on Saturday and finally a resurrection celebration on Easter morning.

The Spirit of Christ will be with us. I hope you will be able to join us as well.

Serving Christ is an adventure!

Thank you from the UMCOR Mission Team

We are all so grateful for your attendance and participation at our Soup and Potluck lunch in March. Quite a few folks worked on putting health kits together and learning what the Mission Team might work on at the UMCOR West Depot. They worked so diligently, with all the fabulous donations of supplies, to build 101 Health kits!!! WOW, that was great work.


And your generosity in donating food for the potluck as well as in our offering basket was really appreciated. The offering tally was \$331. Thank you, thank you, thank you! We hope you had as much fun as we did and look forward to another event this summer. AJ and Elaine Johnsen, Mission Team Coordinators, UMCOR Mission Team

A Fond Farewell

In 1973 we visited Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, and felt welcome from the first moment. In the 44 years since that 1st visit much has transpired. Shortly after arriving we joined the choir and have been singing next to the Skaddens ever since! We became youth group sponsors, have wonderful memories of those days, and are still in contact with many of those we met during that time. Our most valued treasures are the relationships and friendships we have nourished through the years. We leave all of this with bittersweet feelings, but know we are only 2 hours away. The door to our new home is always open to any of you who wish to pay us a visit, and we do expect visitors!!! During this most recent challenge your prayers, support, caring, and love has been appreciated more than you will ever know. Our new adventure awaits us with optimism and hope. We will keep you in our prayers, and know we will be in yours. We have been blessed by you all.

Thank you!!! Our new address is 1320 Kestrel, #F, Longmont, CO 80501

We love you, Russ and Irene Lambert



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 9

9:30 am - Easter Cantata

Thursday, April 13

5:30 pm - Practice for Service of Shadows participants

7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion

Friday, April 14

5:30 pm - Practice for Service of Shadows participants

7:00 pm - Good Friday Service of Shadows

Saturday, April 15

1:00 pm – Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 16

9:30 am – Easter Worship



One Great Hour of Sharing



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING is very familiar to our congregation, but the offering taken every year during Lent has a new name but the same purpose. It is to be called UMCOR SUNDAY and Good Shepherd will celebrate it on April 2, 2017. It is still laying the foundation for UMCOR's ministry of relief and hope. Donations to this cause will, as usual, cover the costs of doing business and will make it possible for UMCOR to use 100% of contributions on the projects the donors specify.

Because you give, UMCOR is able to act as the arms and legs of Christ's church, moving to help persons in their darkest days. We are convinced that all people have God-given worth and

dignity--without regard to race, religion or gender. Together we assist those impacted by crisis or chronic need. UMCOR has responded to disasters in more than 45 countries for 80 years. UMCOR will be able to offer aid in Jesus's name to those who suffer because United Methodists give donations to UMCOR SUNDAY at Good Shepherd UMC on April 2, 2017 during worship. You will have a special envelope in your bulletin and please make your check to Good Shepherd UMC.

Music Ministries

"Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." (Ephesians 5:19)

With there being five Sundays this month, we will be having a hymn sing on Sunday, April 30. In order to properly prepare for this, we would like to have your choices ahead of time. Please pick up and fill out a form at the Welcome Center. These will be available April 2, 9 and 16.

UMW in the Mission Field

Join the United Methodist Women on Saturday, April 1, at 9 a.m. to learn new information from the mission field. Mary Humphreys will bring the program on that day. As we draw nearer to our 150th anniversary in 2019, we are renewing our connections to missionaries around the world and in the U.S. Mary is in regular contact with Dona Pewo, a missionary in Clinton, Oklahoma, at the Indian School there and with Diana Loomis at McCurdy School in New Mexico. Join us as we celebrate our commitment to missions and our connections with the missionaries who serve near and far.

See you on April 1 at 9 a.m. in Cooper Hall. Mary Humphreys and Mary Ann Tabor are hostesses for this meeting. Elaine Johnsen will enlighten us through the Response minute, and Shirley Greener will share from the Prayer Calendar. Mary Humphreys will bring devotions for the morning. Mary Ann Tabor, Secretary

The Story Behind the Hymn

Fanny Crosby wrote more than eight thousand hymns and used more than two hundred pen names. Under contract to a music publisher, she wrote three new hymns each week during much of her adult life. The fact that she was blind didn't diminish her productivity. She would formulate an entire song in her mind and then dictate it to a friend or a secretary.

Phoebe Palmer Knapp, wife of the founder of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, composed a tune in 1873 and brought it to Crosby in Brooklyn. "Play it for me on the organ," Crosby asked. Knapp did and then asked, "What does this tune say?" She turned to see Crosby kneeling in prayer. Knapp played it a second time and then a third. Then the blind woman responded, "That says, 'Blessed assurance, Jesus is Mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!'" Submitted by Wilbur Olsen

Special Guests for Maundy Thursday Service

We are fortunate to have Dr. Jeff and Elizabeth (Pino) Perry and their family joining us for our Maundy Thursday Service on April 13 at 7 p.m.

Rev. Russ has asked them to share a bit about their mission work in Africa, and the offering at this service will help the Perry family extend their work from South Sudan into Uganda.

Beginning in 2011, the Perry family helped establish His House of Hope, a 40-bed hospital focused on aiding women and children. In 2015, 1,636 babies were delivered at this hospital and over 4000 were seen in the clinic. The hospital was designated as a National Teaching Hospital of Sudan in 2016. Besides providing medical care, the Perrys conduct Bible teaching and discipleship with staff, patients, and their families. Their mission statement is "to invite others to follow Jesus as we provide, teach, and empower healthcare of women and children in South Sudan."

Due to the recent political upheaval in South Sudan, when the Perry family returns to Africa in May, they will temporarily relocate in northern Uganda where they will serve South Sudanese refugees and the people of Uganda. Recently they wrote: "The area where we will be in northern Uganda is predominantly Muslim. It is inundated with South Sudanese refugees and the healthcare system is overwhelmed. Jeff will work with the government hospital system there to provide maternity and pediatric care, as we all seek to connect with the South Sudanese refugees and minister to those in the area." Elizabeth also commented that they will have to establish a place to live there using only sunlight and rain collection tanks, as there is no utility infrastructure. In all likelihood, our offering on Maundy Thursday could help them establish their home in Uganda so that they may continue to do God's work in Africa.

Please join us and learn more about this mission of hope and love.

Good Shepherd in Mission

Thanks to all of you, this UM church is in mission here and around the world: We have received "thanks" from Global Ministries for our support of our Missionary, Donna Pewo, in Clinton, Oklahoma. Also, our support of Disaster Response has been acknowledged.

We have received thanks from HEIFER PROJECT, PARTNERS in HOUSING, and CARE & SHARE. Also, you helped make Christmas better for youth and children in our community with "Christmas Angels". Those who buy our FAIR TRADE COFFEE are truly in mission as they help support farmers who grow the fair trade coffee.

THANKS TO ALL who participate in the "Noisy Offerings" when the children come around on 2nd Sundays...They sent a Llama and pig in 2016 and in January, February, and March it went to buy items for the Health Kits that are taken to UMCOR West.

April Worship Schedule - 2017

- April 2 **LENT V – One Great Hour of Sharing (insert)**
GOD'S KINGDOM PEOPLE – Merry Martyrs - Matthew 5:1-12
Scripture: Responsive Reading, Psalm 130 and
Singing UMH page 848 Holy Communion
- April 9 **PALM SUNDAY – Chancel Choir Cantata Noisy Offering**
- April 13 **MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE @ 7:00 P.M. Holy Communion**
- April 14 **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF SHADOWS @ 7:00 P.M.**
- April 16 **EASTER - GOD'S KINGDOM Transforms - I Corinthians 15:50-58**
Introit. Children's Choir. Hallelujah Chorus.
Scripture readings: Colossians 3:1-4 and John 20:1-18
- April 23 **Rev. Ann Lantz 228-6782 is preaching - TR on Vacation**
Scripture readings: I Peter 1:3-9 and John 20:19-31
- April 30 **HYMN SING - TR on Vacation**
Scripture readings: I Peter 1:7-23 and Luke 24:13-35

Partners in Housing

Partners in Housing is looking for a “dorm size” refrigerator. If you can donate one, please see Vicki Vergo.

Thank You

Our Lord placed the most competent, compassionate, personable and dedicated cardiac surgeon in my path for His healing during my open-heart surgery, that was available in His kingdom. Dr. Peter R. Walinsky and the cardiac team at Memorial Hospital provided a flawless surgery, ICU stay and recovery ward time that was nothing short of miraculous. Thank you all for your prayers and well wishes. I am doing absolutely great and give all the glory to God for his never-ending love. Rick White

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kyle Clemens	3
Claude and Nadine Julian	7
Sheri Bell	8
Charlie and Betty Riley	9
Fred and Kathy Shaw	10
Beth Aytes	11
Frank Cribbett	11
Stephanie Wade	11
Bill and Sharon Heintzen	13
Gayla Flack	16
Betty Jones	18
Tami Godsey	19
Natalie Lang	19
John and Pat Smith	20
Carl and Aggie Shryack	21
Delton Ledeboer	22
Marj vanTuil	22
Judy Wentworth	26
Jim Skadden	27

Long-Term Prayer Concerns

Bob Allgood, Alma Arnold, Evelyn Bowers, Patty Curl, Robert Dillard and Family, David Harrison, Candy Hatton, Lorraine Helminski, Mary Hill, Vera Hinshaw, Irene Lambert, Conner Peck, Letha Phillips, Marketa Protzy, Carrington Seay, Don Shelstad, Keith Simpson, Vanda Skadden, Gladys Staatz, Virginia Street, Nancy Waller

Short Term Prayer Concerns

Thomas Mason, Ron Null, Roma Borland and Family, Kari, Eric, Trout Clan, Mary Lou Pressel, Rex Rowan, George Komp, Clayton Matthews, Gary Riggan, Sadie Rickard, The King Family, The Gillespie Family, Myong Oberosler, Ann Kondo, Nick McCartney, Tammy Everett, Mr. Hayes, Teri (Clayton) Wilds and Sami Clayton, The Covert Family, The Judy Johnson Family, The Gerhard Fiske Family, Caity, Kelli and Trent Tallman, Dottie, Dick Gilham, Whitney and Brennan, Hilde Mankowski, Veronica Farrell, Shirley Cihak, Gary Trujillo, Sheri Bell and Sabrina Bell, A.J. Johnsen, Mike Johnson, Patricia Hogan, Amanda's Aunt Lisa, Kathy Sturdevant, Heather Thacker, Ken Kilgore, Cheryl Foley, Bob Hinshaw, Larry Bowers, Amber, Dewitt Davenport, Alice and Don Bloyd, Charles vanTuil, Rick White, The Sadler, Montgomery and Nemelka families, “Shane”, The Beverly Parsons Family, Marty Siuda, Donald Randquist, The Negrette Family, Charlie Riley, The Langdon Family, The O'Donnell Family

GSUMC Loved Ones

The Shelley Voci Family, The Ken Vossler Family, The David Wade Family, The Ida Wade Family

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OFFICE HOURS

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SERVICE TIME

Sunday Morning.....9:30 am