

# ST. ANDREW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# **NEWSLETTER**

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## MARCH FELLOWSHIP DINNER

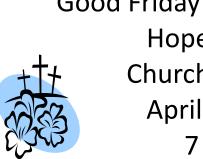


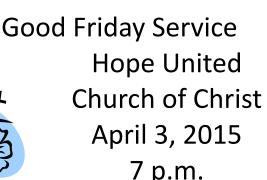
CORNED BEEF AND CAB-BAGE

SUNDAY, MARCH 15 **FOLLOWING** MORNING WORSHIP

BRING SIDE DISHES AND/OR DESSERTS TO SHARE

Maundy **Thursday** Communion St. Andrew's UMC April 2, 2015 7 p.m.





There is one Christian writer who once said, "It's Friday, but Sunday is coming!" (Tony Compollo). What that means is this, Jesus was crucified and then resurrected from the dead three days later. For those who lack hope and do not believe in the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the hope of Sunday never comes. For them the hope stops on Friday. The reason that Christians have hope is because of their belief in the resurrection of Christ (1 Thess 4:13).

There are many Friday moments in our lives---moments of doubt and hopelessness. Our faith in Christ for those who are Christian gives us hope because our belief in the resurrection. Someone has said that "The resurrection of Jesus Christ equips us to face the two biggest fears in the world: the fear of dying and the fear of living". (John A. Huffman, Jr. The Abingdon Preaching Annual: 1995 Edition. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1994, p. 71). There are times when our well-being may depend on our belief that Jesus is the proof of the promise of resurrection (1Thess 4:13, 1Cor 15:13).

When they crucified Jesus, His disciples thought it was the end. It was only the beginning. Jesus as we know was resurrected from the dead. "It's Friday, but Sunday's coming!"

1 Cor 15:26 tells us that the last enemy to be destroyed is death. For Christians that enemy---death was destroyed when Jesus died on the cross. Jesus died on the cross to defeat sin, death and the fear of death. It is when the fear of death is greater than our hope and our faith that we become slaves to fear.

Paul did not fear death. The apostle Paul once said that for him to live was Christ and to die was gain (Phil 1:21). For Paul to live was to be at home in the body and absent from the presence of the Lord---to be alive and labor for Christ (2 Cor 5:6). God has put eternity in the minds and hearts of everyone (Ecc 3:11). God has a desire for us to know Him and to have a relationship with Him (Jer 31:31-34). It is through this hunger for eternity that God calls us to Himself through the prompting of His Holy Spirit.

The Christian is the one who is prepared both to die and to live. Christians are prepared to live because their faith in Christ gives them a life that has meaning (Blake Huffman, p. 73). There was once a man who felt that his life was going around in circles before he came to accept Jesus as His personal Lord and Savior. He describes those circles as journeys of futility until he got saved. Jesus Christ is truly the missing piece in the puzzle called life (Huffman, paraphrased, p. 73).

Christians are prepared to live because their faith in Christ gives peace in knowing that Jesus conquered the power of sin and extends to us His forgiveness should we decide to accept it. It is guilt that makes people slaves to sin. Guilt makes them feel as though they have to earn forgiveness.

God gives us the strength that comes from knowing Jesus Christ in our relationship with him. The same power that resurrected Jesus from the dead enables us to have the strength we need to play the hand that life has dealt us.

God has made each of us with a homing instinct---a spiritual homing instinct. There are many are lost or have lost their way. The resurrection is a magnet for our faith because it gives us hope. You might know someone who has lost his or her way. When Fridays of hard times come for them, they lack hope and long for the peace of Sunday---the day of resurrection.

It is God's will that we receive the justification that comes through Christ, the sanctification that comes through God's Holy Spirit because God wants us to reach glory in our heavenly home when our time for resurrection in heaven comes.

We have a lot of work to do. Our work is to tell the world "It's Friday, but Sunday's coming!" Christians have faith because we know that Jesus lives! Because He lives we can face tomorrow!



### **Updated Health Issues**

Pam Agers, Bill Amos, Bart Barnard, Bill and Lorraine Bay, Linda Bean, Jane Broadwater, Steve & Carol Brown, Joe & Alice Bryant, Chaplain Jim & Margaret Carter, Marlene "Molly" Chapman, Amy Clark, Beverly Clark, Geno Broeckling, Tommy Clark, Marge Cope, Douglas Crocker, Bob & Paula Cunningham, Matt De Clue, Mary Drake, Renee Evans, Mike Farris, Brian Fauth, Bobby Fisher, Rachel Gibbs, Betty Greenlee, Joe Greenstreet, Mary Greenstreet, Barbara Hanna, Zachary Handy, Elaine Harris, Rich Hessler, Barbara Hoelzel, Norma Hoelzel, Sarah House, Doris & Herbert Hubbard, Marvin & Judy Hunter, Linda Hurd, Mary Jinkerson, Geraldine Johnson, Mike Klaus, Dixie Klein, Curly Lane, Macunhe UMC, The Bill Mahn Family, Irmalee Mahn, Gene Martin, Ruth Martin, Keith Mason,

Tiny Medcalf, Patty Melton, Rev. Linda Murry, Bob Miller, Margie Moses, Thomas Estus Nicholas, David Nuckols, Matt Owens, Brian Parmeley, Stacia Parmeley, Todd Parrish, Jack Perdue, Margaret Pillen, Amy Pressey, Cole Propst, Tom Pruitte, Zach Rasse, Betty Ray, Dennis Reynolds, Marie Rhodes, Brad Rhoers, Shelley Robinson, Tommy Scharfenberger, Michelle Schott, Matthew Scott, Patsy Shy, Jim Smith, Lucas Smith, Laura Souders, Mari Anne Sutton, Martin Thomas, Georgetta Thompson, Eric Thuer, Nancy Stichling Thuer, Vinney Timmerman, Neil, Maureen Touchstone, Butch Turek, Mary Ann Turek, Linda Twomey, Margie Walker, Mary Ward, Kirk Weber, Charles & Barbara Weston, Megan Wheeler, Mary Lou Whittemore, Addie Wiggins, Norma Wiley, Boytt & Marian Willis, June Wilson, Mary Wilson, Gus Winckel, Chuck Wintermute, Carolyn Wolfe, June Wymore, Chuck Zimmermann, Mary Zimmermann, unspoken requests.

Our service personnel: Paul Case, Caleb Huskey, Nick Mahn, Michael & Sherri Monroe, JP Parkin & family, Keith Wakeland, Chris Weaton

### THANK YOU

My sincere thanks for all the cards, calls, and especially the prayers offered during my recent hospitalization and home recovery.

-Merlin Weber

### CONGRATULATIONS

Harper Jolin Donovan was born on February 16, 2015, weighing 6 lbs. 6 oz. to Robert and Desiree Donovan. This is a great-niece for Linda and Joe Bean.

Landon Marshall Wurth was born on March 8, 2015, weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. to Steven and Jenny (Marshall) Wurth. Glen and Joyce Marshall are the grandparents.

### **SYMPATHY**

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of **Terry Johnson Woodall**, who passed on February 16.

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of **Hazel Ilene Hardin**, who passed on February 21.

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of **William Mahn**, **Jr.**, who passed on March 2. A memorial service will be held here at St. Andrew's on Saturday, March 14, 1 p



Donations were 75 items. Contributions to De Soto Ministerial Alliance, \$50.

—Phyllis and Bobby Fisher

Bring in green items for the Food Pantry this month.



Our next session will be on March 17. We are now studying the Book of Acts. Chapter 8. We are meeting most Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. We have hour sessions. Come join us for a time of discussion and learning from God's word.

Fountain City Grill is now open on Sundays 11 to 5.

### 50 Year Anniversary Celebration

Please join us in celebrating our

50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Jerry & Marsha Greenstreet

Saturday, April 4

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

101 Peachtree, Hillsboro M0 63050 (lower level)

We will have live music, drinks and appetizers. We will cut the cake at 2:00 pm

No Gifts Please



Time to bring in your unwantables!"

### Sarah Doremus Circle Rummage Sale March 20 and 21

Please bring in your items now through **March 16.** Drop off items in the Sunday School room across from Fellowship Hall. Plastic bags are needed.

With your help, this will continue to be an affordable option for our community.

All the proceeds will go to missions. If you have questions or need your items picked up, please call:

Judy Doyle, 586-1634

### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES SERVING GOD**

Liturgists:

Mar. 15 **Marsha Foster** Mar. 22 Joe Wilson

Mar. 29

### **SERVING OTHERS**

Fellowship Hosts/Hostesses:

Mar. 15 **Corned Beef & Cabbage** Mar. 22 Mike & Terry Neckermann Mar. 29 Phyllis & Bobby Fisher

### **Communion Steward**

Apr. 2 & Apr. 5 Becky & Paul Bradford

### **OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Weekly Offerings and Worship Attendance							
Feb. 15	General Fund	946.47	83				
	Memorial Fund	95.00					
Feb. 22	General Fund	2281.46	73				
	Designated	764.00					
Mar. 1	General Fund	2720.00	29				
	Designated	351.00					
	Building Fund	100.00					
	Memorial Fund	300.00					
Mar. 8	General Fund	2978.23	95				
	Designated	190.00					
	Memorial Fund	85.00					

### **Lectionary Scriptures Reading for:**

Mar. 15: Num 21:4-9, Eph 2:1-10, John 3:14-21;

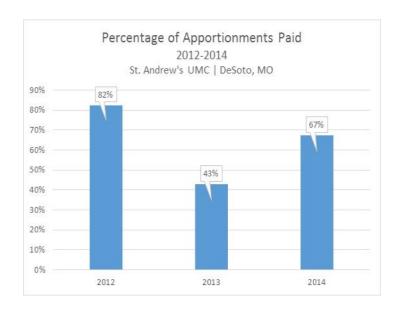
Mar. 22: Jer. 31:31-34, Heb. 5:5-10, John 12:20-33;

Mar. 29: Liturgy of the Palms Mark 11:1-11, Liturgy of the Passion Isa, 50:4-9a, Phil. 2:5-11, Mark 14:1-15:47. Mark 15:1-39:

**Apr. 5:** Acts 10:34-43, 1 Cor. 15:1-11, John 20:1-18;

**Apr. 12:** Acts 4:34-35, 1 John 1:1-2:2, John 20:19-31

# SUGAR MOON Featured at Coyol March 12, 5:30-8:30 p.m. April 23, 5:30-8:30 p.m. La Pachanga—Herculaneum March 20, 5-8 p.m. April 17, 5-8 p.m. Frank Wilcox Film Festival Dinner March 13 Fountain City Grill March 21, 5:30-8:30 p.m. April 18, 5:30-8:30 p.m.



### **Sarah Doremus Circle Update**

The valentine bake sale from this past February brought in \$220 for our 2015 mission work. As always, we are grateful for your support, and also for your love donations.

In Christ's Love, Terry Neckermann, Sarah Doremus Chairman

### **Service Volunteers Needed**

Thank you to those volunteers who have filled the needed slots for the first quarter of this year. Our communion sheet has **June** open.

Some church folks are no longer able to be liturgists: but thankfully, some newer, and even youth members have stepped in for that position. March 29, along with next quarter is currently open. I am reaching out for some new folks to volunteer. Please consider trying the liturgist position occasionally. It would reduce the amount of times our usual members fill in.

The Church office will copy and print all Bible verses and you are able to practice the readings to prepare.

As for hosting fellowship, there is no requirement for you to bake anything fresh for Sundays. Store bought cookies and treats are fine. We usually try to keep extra cookies in the kitchen cupboard. Donated cookies are **appreciated anytime.** If you do bring in cookies and want to leave them in the metal containers, please feel free to do so for another Sunday.

Lemonade and coffee are stocked in the kitchen.

Thank you to all who offer to take that position for fellowship time, including clean up. It is greatly appreciated by all.

God Bless, Terry Neckermann, Nurture Committee

# April 2015

	MonSun	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday Services: 10:30 Morning Worship 10:30 Children's Church/School			Chancel Choir 7pm  Meaghan Doyle (b)	Community Holy Thursday Communion 7 pm, here Michelle Courtois (b) Jenny Wurth (b)	Community Good Friday Service, Hope UCC, 7 pm	Jerry/Marsha Greenstreet (a) Betsy Weber (b)
5 Easter	6 Yoga 10 am	7	Chancel Choir 7pm	9 Hardees Bible Study 7:30 am	10	11
	Mary DeClue (b) Julianne Christopher (b)	Rotary 12 noon DFM 6:30 pm	Margie Walker (b)	Doug/Margie Urban (a) Grant Mahn (b)	Jessica Robinson (b)	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Yoga 10 am  Bella Guertzgen (b)  Marietta Martin (b)	Rotary 12 noon	Chancel Choir 7pm JP/Leah Parkin (a)	Chas. Hoelzel (b)	Bob Alexander (b)	Chuck Bigelow (b)
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Cook off for Missions/w/ Christian Church Hematite after worship	Yoga 10 am	Rotary 12 noon Bill Bay (b) Scott Voss (b)	Chancel Choir 7pm Steve Richardson (b)	Hardees Bible Study 7:30 am		DFM tractor parade James Bryant (b)
26	27	28	29	30		
Channan Tiralay (h)	Yoga 10 am	Rotary 12 noon	Chancel Choir 7pm			
Shannon Tinsley (b)	David Nuckols (b) Danielle Moskop (b)		Lonnie/Angie Keys (a) Tara Schellert (b) Clark Wischmeier (b)			

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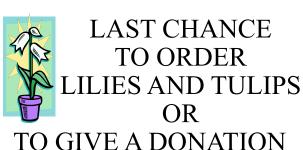


# De Soto Farmers' Market Winter Workshops

March 24
Small Fruit Production
Katie Kammler,
MU Extension Specialist
6:30-8:30 pm

April 7
Vendor Workshop
Weights and Measures will be here
to certify scales
6:30-8:30 pm

Questions call Joyce Rainwater 314-800-4078



TO GIVE A DONATION IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF LOVED ONES FOR EASTER

Please call the Church Office, 586-2472, or fill out an order form by Sunday, March 15. Tulips are \$8.50; lilies \$10.50.

Monetary donations are designated for *Mozambique* Flood Relief or *Mozambique* Initiative for pastoral support at Machune UMC.

