

News & Events

Office Closed. The church office is closed tomorrow in observance of Easter. We will re-open Tuesday morning at 8:00 a.m.

Ruth Circle. The next meeting of Ruth Circle is Tuesday, April 11th, at 6:00 p.m. Grace Thompson is the hostess. The meeting takes place at 153 Thompson Road. Jewelie Mills has the program.

Ozark Mission Project. OMP application and deposit are due Tuesday, April 18th. Contact Jewelie for more information.

Duck Derby. The Annual Duck Derby Festival is Saturday, January 22nd, from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the OBU Cliff Harris Stadium Parking Lot. Go to <https://www.pdmcsc.org/waddle.html> to buy your ducks or get more information.

Dinner Reader's Theater. The HSU/OBU Wesley Foundation presents "The Wedding Intern's Farce" starring HSU students and FUMC youth Sunday, April 30th, at 6:00 p.m. Contact Russ Breshears at Wesley Foundation for more information. Donations for scholarships are gratefully welcome.

Weekly Participation Opportunities

Sunday Night Youth. Meets from 6-8:00 p.m. in the Sturgis Children & Youth Center. Contact Jewelie for more information.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study. Meets at 9:30 a.m. in the church library. Led by Claire Gehrki.

Pastor's Bible Study. Wednesdays at noon and 6:30 p.m. (in person/Zoom) in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Zeke Allen.

G.R.O.W. Kids. Children aged 5 through 5th grade, Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:15 in the Sturgis building. Bible story, craft, and game time. Contact Jewelie to sign up or volunteer.

Chancel Choir Practice. Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room. Contact Bill Higgins for more information.

Ways to give to First United Methodist Church



In Person
Offering plate



By Mail
107 N. 9th Street



Online
Scan

Mission Opportunities

Food Pantry. The next Distribution Day is Tuesday, April 18th. The requested donation items are **peanut butter and cereal**.

Schedule:

Monday, April 17th

9:30 am: meet at the Walmart loading dock to pick up donations; **10 am:** weigh the donations and store, pack any additional boxes needed

Tuesday, April 18th

9 am: unload Food Bank truck, inventory, and store; **10 am to noon:** finish packing produce, bread/desserts into boxes; place newsletter into boxes; **11:30 to noon:** homebound routes are picked up; **noon to 2 pm:** break for lunch; **2 pm:** devotional; **2:30 pm:** place tables outside, load food boxes and meat; **3 pm to 5:30 pm:** distribute food boxes

Please Remember:

- A. You may put your offering in the plate, use Tithely by scanning the QR code under Ways to Give, go directly to Tithely at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=368022>, or drop it off at the church office during the week or by mail.
- B. You can live stream services on Facebook or YouTube at www.facebook.com/fumcark or www.youtube.com/user/fumcark. Watch previous services at www.fumcark.org/sermons.

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Tech Todd Corley, Kurt Hill, Isabela Maxey, Sasha Maxey, Cindy Phillips

Flowers Mary Ellen Taylor

Nursery Workers Erin Mecum and Sabrina Mecum

Custodian Sharon Murphy

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Adopted by First United Methodist Church Council, October 10, 2017.



Worship for the Lord's Day

April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday

Traditional Worship Service
Arkadelphia, AR

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome Nevada Mills

Opening Voluntary Kay McAfee

All the Earth with Joy is Sounding
-by David Christiansen

*Call to Worship

Arise children of the living God, attune your lives to the good news of this Easter morning.

With great hope and surprise, we come to praise you

For when hope was thought to be lost, for when violence enacted against Jesus seemed to prevail, and when the grave threatened to have the final word

Hope comes in the morning. Thanks be to God for the surprise of the resurrected Christ

How can this be? Who can grasp the height, and the depth, and the breadth of a living Christ?

So be it! We cast aside our doubts and fears and lean into the miracle of Easter.

He is risen!!

He is risen indeed!!

*Processional Hymn UMH No. 302

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

*Apostles' Creed UMH No. 881

*The Gloria Patri UMH No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Moment Jewellie Mills

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Zeke Allen

The Lord's Prayer Congregation

Hymn of Praise UMH No. 322

Up From the Grave He Arose

Offertory Prayer Rev. Zeke Allen

Offering
The Offertory Kay McAfee

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright
-by Dale Wood

*Doxology UMH No. 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Reading God's Word Nevada Mills

Matthew 28:1-10

Anthem Chancel Choir

Hail Thee, Festival Day
-arr. Hal Hopson

Sermon Rev. Zeke Allen

Surprise

*Hymn of Response UMH No. 327

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*Benediction/Blessing Rev. Zeke Allen

Closing Voluntary Kay McAfee

Toccata from Symphonie V
-by Chas. -M. Widor

**Please stand if able*

Brass Quartet

Reagan Mills, horn Nevada Mills, trombone
Jamie Lipton, euphonium Wesley Lamendola, tuba

ANTHEM TEXT

Hail Thee, Festival Day
-arr. Hal Hopson

Hail Thee, Festival day!
The day that is hallowed forever;
Day when the Lord arose,
breaking the bonds of death.

See how the beauty of earth reborn
blossoms forth from the winter.
See how it speaks of life,
God's new life to the world.

He who was nailed to the cross
is Lord of all creation.
All things created on earth
sing to the glory of God.

God is the Lord of all life,
God's word is assured to the nations.
Death has no more its sting,
Life is forever won.

Let all the earth sing for joy;
Today the Lord has triumphed.
Nations give ear and be glad;
Christ is alive; Sing for joy.

Prayer Concerns

Please be in prayer for Barbara Rhoades and
Carroll Jackson, who have Covid.