

So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—April 5

This Sunday, April 7 @ 9:00 & 10:30

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New Sermon Series—A New Creation

Easter is all about celebrating the new life Jesus makes possible for us! We often think of this new life in terms that are only spiritual or individual, but Jesus' resurrection means new life for *all* of creation – yes, for us, but also for our communities and our environment. In a world grappling with environmental concerns, join us as we delve into scripture to understand how the renewed life Jesus offers shapes our responsibility to care for our environment and all its inhabitants.

This Sunday – God's Wide World | Psalm 104:5-24 & Job 12:7-10

As human beings, we tend to think the world revolves around us! As scripture opens our eyes to the fullness of God's creation, let us consider a shift in perspective. We are but one part of God's magnificent creation. What does creation tell us if we listen?

Communion This Sunday

Our worship this Sunday will also include Holy Communion. In the United Methodist Church, all are welcome at the table, as we understand Communion to be the gift of Jesus Christ to anyone of any age who desires a closer relationship with Him. If you are worshipping at home, remember to gather your items representing the bread and the wine as we gather in spirit around Christ's table. If you don't have bread and grape juice, crackers and water are a great substitute.

Scripture Reading | Job 12:7-10

"But ask the animals, and they will teach you,
or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you;
or speak to the earth, and it will teach you,
or let the fish in the sea inform you.
Which of all these does not know
that the hand of the Lord has done this?
In his hand is the life of every creature
and the breath of all mankind.



Next Week – But Are You Hungry?

Curtis Rieck will be sharing—Make no mistake, what Jesus wants from you is your belief, your trust, your faith. And here's the thing, that sounds easy enough...but we want our stuff. We so often don't believe that Jesus is better than the stuff. Our houses our cars our hobbies our favorite sports teams, our...the list could go on forever.

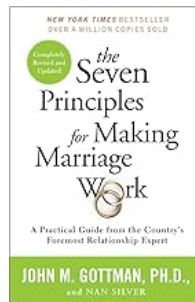


Other Ministry Updates

- April 7** 9:00 am Contemporary Worship with Communion
 10:00 am Fellowship
 10:00 am Be Part of the Conversation
 10:30 am Traditional Worship with Communion
- April 9** 7:00 pm Leadership Team Meeting
- April 10** 3:00 pm Guest Connection Meeting
 6:00 pm Confirmation Faith Night
 6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- April 14** 9:00 am Worship with Curtis Rieck and Handbells
 10:00 am Fellowship
 10:00 am Be Part of the Conversation

Seven Weeks Seven Principles

We are looking for 3 or 4 couples interested in strengthening their marriage in a 7-week small group experience. We'll be reading *Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work* by foremost relationship expert John M. Gottman. Group commitment would be approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes per week and then including time for reading the chapters and doing the homework, facilitated by Pastor Amy. If we get enough interest, we'd like to start the group 1st or 2nd week after Easter and try to be done by end of May. Please let the [Pastor Amy](#) know ASAP if you are interested.



Special Easter Offering

2024 Easter Offering was split 50/50, with half going to support of Terabinth Refuge and the other half of our offering to go to support camp attendance for kids. We raised \$2571. Thank you so much!

Be part of the Conversation!

Throughout April, there will be a hosted discussion table in the fellowship hall during coffee hour. This informal discussion will talk about topics from the message, additional scripture, life application ideas and wherever the conversation takes us. Grab your coffee and stop by, beginning this Sunday, **April 7**.

Spirituality in Nature Group (S.I.N.G)

S.I.N.G. is a gathering of people who want to explore our connection to God/the Divine in nature. All gatherings will be at Bertram Chain of Lakes Regional Park. Our goal is to gather a diverse group of all ages, committed to exploring spirituality together in nature. We want to partner with others to create meaningful experiences that foster and deepen our sense of connection to God/the Divine in the great outdoors.

Experiences will include individual and group activities, poetry readings and personal stories that will deepen our bonds to the earth, God and with each other; within Bertram Chain of Lakes Regional Park. Contact Pastor Amy for more information at 612-226-8905. Dates:

- May 2 at 6:30pm – Gathering
- May 16 at 6:30pm—Spirituality of Water
- June 6 at 6:30pm—Summer Solstice I
- June 20 at 6:30pm—Summer Solstice 2
- July 11 at 6:30pm—TBD
- July 25 at 6:30pm—TBD
- August 1 at 6:30pm
- August 15 at 6:30pm
- September 5 at 6:30pm
- September 19 at 6:30pm
- October 3 at 6:30pm
- October 17 at 6:30pm

Register for Camp

Early Bird Registration Incentive ends **April 30th!** Register by then and receive a \$25.00 [Early Bird Camp Store Credit](#) to spend at the camp store or canteen during your stay. There are several ways to register for camp: [CONTACT](#) Andrea Gravley [ONLINE](#) Directly access our online registration system to register, or search through the complete list of Camp Minnesota current camps and events.

[PHONE](#) To register by phone call 855-622-1973 Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

[EMAIL](#) Download, print, and complete the paper registration form. Then scan and email the completed form.