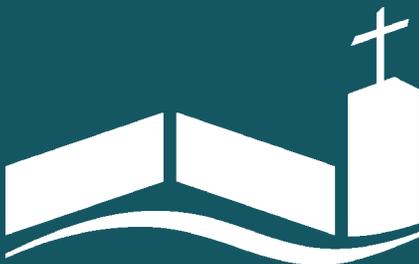


Joy Connection

Newsletter
May 2019



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*So All May
Know Joy*

People vs. Planet?

For the last year or more, something has been stirring in my heart. Our recent worship series, *In the Garden*, seems to have fed this stirring. Reflecting on the beauty of God's unspoiled creation, described in Genesis 1 and 2, I found myself deeply moved by the image of Adam and Eve as adam adamah, dirt people, beings created with a profound existential connection to the garden they were made to tend. I am reading a book by Margaret Wheatley—*Turning to One Another: Simple conversations to restore hope to the future*—that has allowed the stirring in my heart to take shape as a question: "What is the relationship I want with the earth?"

I know that sounds like a big question. In one way it is big, so big that it seems impossible to even think about. But in another way, it's a very small question, and a very intimate one. What relationship do I— not my neighbor, not an industry or a country— what relationship do I, Bill Reinhart, want to have with the earth?

It's a big question as there are so many things that have already been set in motion around the globe involving the choices made by 8 billion other people. It's a small question because there is only one person whose choices I am responsible for in this life— my own. I've often noted that John Wesley saw our faith journeys as working out our salvation one day at a time, with each moment of each day giving us the opportunity to turn toward Christ-likeness, or turn away from it. I wonder if the same might be true for any number of the ways we relate to our planet? As we bask in the joy of Easter morning and the empty tomb, I'm wondering if I can really continue to put this question on the back burner while weekly praying, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done."

Bill McKibben, quoted in Wheatley's book, offers this reflection: The story of the twentieth century was finding out just how big and powerful we were. And it turns out that we're big and powerful as all get out. The story of the twenty-first century is going to be finding out if we can figure out ways to get smaller or not. To see if we can summon the will, and then the way, to make ourselves somewhat smaller, and try to fit back into this planet.

What is the relationship I want with the earth? I haven't really taken the time and space necessary to adequately ask, much less answer, that question for myself. Have you? I wonder if having some deep conversations together around that question might help us take steps forward, individually and as a church, in living more fully into the Easter promise of the restoration of God's paradise.

Blessings, Pastor Bill

8:15 am • Joyful Praise Worship

10:30 am • Celebration Worship

Coffee Fellowship & Education • 9:20-10:20 am



Worship

Sunday, May 5

Five Invitations from Jesus:
Come and See
John 1:35-51

Holy Communion

Handbells play at both services
Jesus Rocks sings at both services

Sunday, May 12

Five Invitations from Jesus:
Rest & Abide in Me
Matthew 11:25

MAC Love Offering Received
Mothers Day

Sunday, May 19

Five Invitations from Jesus:
Follow Me
Matthew 8:18-22

Celebration Sunday

All Children Sing

Recognition of Ministry Leaders
including Sunday School,
Confirmation and BUMP staff

Sunday, May 26

Five Invitations from Jesus:
Let's Go Fishing
Luke 5:1-11

"Meet in the Middle"

worship begins with one joint
service at **9:00 am!**

Memorial Recognition
Baptism

Worship Attendance

	Early	Late	Total
March 31	124	44	168
April 7	133	43	176
April 14	144	103	297
April 21	203	114	317

About Buffalo UMC

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The Joy Connection is a monthly publication for members and constituents of Buffalo United Methodist Church. The deadline for newsletter articles is the third Thursday of each month.

Faith Formation—Adults

Summer Worship Change Starts May 26!

This summer the Leadership Team has decided to have us try just one worship service together. We're calling it "Meet in the Middle" because we plan to split the difference on worship times and start at **9:00 am**. This starts with our Memorial Weekend service on **May 26** and runs through Labor Day Sunday, September 1. For more information on what it will be like and the reasons behind the decision, please read the detailed article later in the newsletter.

Annual Conference Love Offering— Dare to Reach—Love Boldly!

On **Sunday, May 12** we will receive the Minnesota Annual Conference Love Offering, which Pastor Bill will carry to conference with him in June. If you wish to participate, you may bring an offering marked "Love Offering" or use an envelope in the pew. This year the offering is split between Lao Samphan Methodist Church, Volunteer Lawyers Network, and Volunteers in Mission (VIM) scholarships.

Parkview Service May 19

Pastor Bill would love to have you join him as he leads worship at Parkview Chapel on **Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 pm**. It's great to have folks there to visit with the residents and add voices to our worship. Let him know if you can join him!

Memorial Sunday May 26

Each year on the Sunday of Memorial weekend, we acknowledge the memorial gifts to the church from the past year. These gifts remind us of loved ones lost, and also help support the ministries of the church in a variety of ways. We will lift up all memorial gifts received from May 2018-April 2019 in memory of these people:

Conor Lilja	Willis Kiphuth
Martha Grimme	Troy Vail
Mary Collins	Lucille King
Pat Bowe	

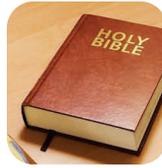
Chancel Chimes Play at Care Centers

You are welcome to join the Chancel Chimes and the residents as they play short concerts at local care centers. They will play at Annandale Care Center on **Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 pm**, then also at Parkview Care Center Chapel on **Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 pm**. This is the last time they play before summer handbell hiatus.

Romans Bible Study Begins May 29

A new six-week Bible study called *Romans: The Letter that Changed the World* begins on **Wednesday, May 29 from 6:00-7:00 pm**. Couples are encouraged to come together, but all are welcome. (Note we could change the time if later works better.) We know summer is busy and you may miss a week or two, but join us when you can. Each session includes a short video, so if you don't get readings done ahead of time, you'll still be able to participate. Spread the word and sign up soon at church!! Call Pam Sieberg at 763-682-4734 with questions.

Thursday Night Bible Study



Paulette Moore hosts a weekly Bible Study on **Thursdays at 6:30 pm**. All are welcome to join this study long- or short-term as able. Call Paulette for details at: 763-276-7435.

Prayer Journal Gathering/Reunion May 13

There has been interest in having a "reunion" gathering for all who participated in prayer journaling sessions with Sheryl Lehman at the women's retreat or in classes here at church. So on **Monday, May 13 at 6:30 pm**, please come and share your experiences with prayer journaling and how you've felt God. And it's okay to share, even if journaling hasn't turned out the way you hoped! Sign up on the bulletin board...come-share-support! All welcome, even if you just want to come get a workbook and get started.

Life Happens! A Caring Ministry

Life Happens ministry information sessions will now be bi-monthly on "even" months. Guest speakers share firsthand experiences on difficult topics, helping us know what to do and what to say to let people know we care. Join us on the second Monday every other month from 7:15-8:15 pm in the fellowship hall for a time of listening, learning, caring and dessert. The next one is:

Monday, June 10, 7:15-8:15 p.m.

Presenter: to be determined

Easter Garden Thank You

Thank you to all who donated flowers or cash to make our Easter Resurrection Garden happen! What a beautiful way to wrap up our "In the Garden" worship series and celebrate the joy of Easter! Special thanks to Maryann Barfknecht and Julie Bedker for assembling it!

Faith Formation—Children



New Logo

In case you haven't seen it, here's our new logo for Children's Ministry (above)! This will not only encompass Sunday School but ALL of our Children's Ministries and Outreach!!

May Sunday School Themes

May 5	On the Road to Damascus
May 12	Ascension and Pentecost
May 19	Last Day/Celebration Sunday!

Celebration Sunday May 19

Sunday, May 19 is our Celebration Sunday when we thank our SS teachers and other leaders in the church, and celebrate all that we have learned and accomplished together in mission and ministry over the past year. It's also the last day of Sunday School! Lots of things are happening, so plan to be here!

All SS children sing at BOTH services to honor SS teachers. They sing at the end of the 8:15 service (**be here by 9:00!**) and near the beginning of the 10:30 service (**done by 10:45**).

Bring a finger food for our SS Banquet Table! (Due to some **severe** nut allergies, we ask that you bring a nut free snack. There is a list of nut free snacks on the SS bulletin board. Parents, if your children have special food requirements, please bring something for them to enjoy!)

Funds Available for Summer Camp

Have you signed up for summer camp yet? Please don't forget that **all** BUMC children and youth attending Methodist camps will have half of the registration cost covered by BUMC. We want every child to be able to attend without the financial strain. First-time adult campers at UM camps also qualify for half paid as well. Pick up a camping brochure at church or go online to <https://minnesotaumc.org/get-involved/>

camping-retreats/ to register for the camp of your choice. Then complete our BUMC camping form and return it to church so we can pay the other half. Not only is camp super fun, but it is also a great way for us to support our UM camping programs at the same time! Contact Debbie Bishop with questions.

2nd Annual Party in the Park on May 18

Last year was such a huge success that's we've decided to do it again! It's time to celebrate Spring, connect with families of all ages, and bring the community together for another day of fun! As we continue to spread seeds of hope, this is a perfect opportunity to show the community what an awesome church we have! Mark your calendars now!!

Party in the Park

Saturday, May 18 11:00 – 2:00

Methodist City Park

There will be lots of activities at this **free** event, so we hope you'll invite your friends and neighbors! The park area will be filled with activity booths where families can enjoy fun together:

Bounce house/demos by Dojo Karate

Gymnastics fun by Gym-Nation

KRWC Roadshow

Local Royalty

Face painting, wacky hair, caricatures

Balloon animals, bean bag toss, fish pond

Fire, police, ambulance vehicles

Classic Car display

Cat in the Hat & Paddington Bear

Fundraising for Playground shade canopy

Hourly drawings, prizes and much more!



And of course there will be lunch, popcorn and slushies—all at **no** cost!! If you're interested in helping, please contact Gloria Farwick or Debbie Bishop!

Kids' Calendar

May 1 (Wed)	Jesus Rocks rehearsal with band at 7:30pm
May 5	Jesus Rocks sings at BOTH services
May 18	2nd Annual Party in the Park family fun day!
May 19	ALL children sing for Celebration Sunday
May 19	SS "Banquet Table" and party

Faith Formation— Confirmation

Confirmation Schedule

Wednesdays from 6:00–7:30 pm unless indicated

May 1	Focus Night
May 8	Focus Night
May 15	Faith Night
May 22	End of Year Picnic at Beebe Lake
June 15	Deadline for Creeds
June 29	Wesley Meal
Aug 4	Completed Mission/Service hours and Worship Notes are due
Aug 31	Last Wesley Meal (1 per year required)

End of Year Picnic is May 22

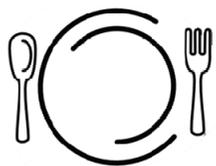
The annual picnic for confirmation students, parents, partners, and senior high youth is at Beebe Lake Park on Co. Rd. 34 on **Wednesday, May 22, from 6:00–7:30 pm**. We ask 7th graders to bring salads or munchies and 8th graders to bring desserts. Faith partners are welcome to bring a dish to share if they wish. Senior high youth should bring their usual pizza money to provide the hot dogs and buns. Tableware provided. Meet at Beebe Lake.

Ministry & Missions

Membership Class May 4

Come for a morning of conversation and fellowship to learn more about our Buffalo UMC traditions and beliefs, and also history and values of The United Methodist Church on **Saturday, May 4 at 9 am**. All are welcome, and following the class, those who wish to move forward with membership will be received as members during worship on **Sunday, May 19**. Sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office, please.

Time to Cook Again!



We're almost out of frozen meals to give people who could use a quick and easy meal, so watch for a sign up sheet to help cook! It's a really fun time of fellowship and you may just

leave with a new recipe! If cooking isn't your thing but you still want to help, there will also be a sign up sheet to donate ingredients. Keep your eyes on the bulletin board in the entry!

Frozen Meals Available

Don't forget that there are frozen meals available to share with others!! Right now we have a few beef stew packages left. Ask for help if you can't find them, but PLEASE know they are there to be given out!! This is a perfect way to be a conduit of God's love!! Who can you think of that would enjoy the blessing of a surprise meal?

New Kids Worship Activity Bags!!

Be on the lookout for our fabulous new worship activity bags for kids! A **big** thanks to Sandy Tool and Phyllis Griffith for sewing these beautiful bags!! We are busy getting them filled with new surprises, so watch for them soon in the entry!

Help with Party in Park on May 18

Remember, a good party requires good hosts--- and that's our congregation! Many volunteers are needed to make Party in the Park happen, so if you can help with any of the following, please let us know!

- Loan us a canopy for the day
- Lead an activity like petting zoo animals, clowns, magicians, unique crafts
- General volunteer—to help with set-up, parking, clean-up, games and activities.
- Publicity help - pass the word by putting up flyers at work, your apartment building, or inviting friends and neighbors.

And remember, just coming, having fun and helping to welcome our guests is important! Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors and anyone who wants to have a good time! Sign up at church ASAP! Contact Gloria Farwick or Debbie Bishop with questions.

Final Baby Animal Fair May 5

The final ever Baby Animal Fair takes place this year on **Sunday, May 5 from noon–4 pm** at the Buffalo Civic Center. BUMC will host the pig booth and sell popcorn. This event raises



funds for Heifer International, an organization that provides animals and food production support around the world. If you took home and filled one of the offering boxes from church, bring it back to church **on Sunday, May 5 or take to the fair yourself**. If you'd like to help one last time with this event, please see Maryann Barfknecht, Laurie or Curtis.

Blankets for Beds

Clean out your closets this spring and donate new or gently used blankets/linens. Place your donations in the "Blankets" box outside of the church office or if you need them picked up, call Dianne McLain 763-682-2260.



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Join this gathering every fourth Monday of the month at Arlene Nelson's home at Park Terrace at 1:00 pm to knit or crochet shawls for people who might be homebound, in the hospital, grieving, or in other challenging situations. Call Dianne McLain at 763-682-2260 with questions.

This month: Monday, May 20 at 1:00 pm.

(Note change due to Memorial Day.)

Fellowship & More

The Gallery Trio in Concert Here June 1

Our next Saturday Awakenings concert is on **Saturday, June 1** with The Gallery Trio bringing their wonderful blended vocal harmonies of mostly folk and country gospel music. A local connection, this trio includes Chris Vokaty, son of Jeanne Vokaty, with his rich baritone voice. The trio led worship here once and people loved their music, so we look forward to having them back for an evening concert. Don't miss it!! As always, refreshments follow the freewill program.



Diners Out Resumes May 23

It's time for another season of Diners Out! Everyone likes to eat out...especially with friends from church. If you are 65 or 95, please join us at **Perkins Restaurant**



Thursday, May 23 from 5:30-7:00 pm for a time of food and fellowship. Stories can be shared if we have time. They may be original or e-mail, the funnier the better! Need a ride? Call Dave & Sara Gaeth (763-682-4964)

United Methodist Women's Fellowship



The United Methodist Women's Group will meet on **May 9 at 1:00 PM at Park View Care Center**. The hostess' will be Carol Wakeling, Susan Sorsoleil, and Kathy Varner.

UM Men's Fellowship

The United Methodist Men's Fellowship gathers on **Saturday, May 18 at 7:30 am** for fellowship over a hot breakfast, devotions, discussions, and to look for ways to serve our church family and community. Newcomers are welcome any time! Contact Ivan Erickson at 763-497-1742 if you have questions.



Praise and Coffee Gatherings



Another Praise and Coffee fellowship takes place on **Monday, May 6 at 6 pm** with Sheryl Lehman at Perkins. Men, women, young, old – all welcome! Bring a friend.

Thursday Game Gathering

Gather in the fellowship hall at 1:00 pm **May 2** for a time of fellowship playing games and occasional service project. Bring a favorite game and snacks. All are welcome! Call Esther Kiphuth at 763-477-6221 if you have questions.



Ministry Team Updates

Finance Team Report by Randy Whitcomb
May is fast approaching with summer vacations right on it's heal. Simplify your summer by signing up for auto pay to send your monthly giving directly to the church, contact the church office for set up. You can use the repetitive payment feature with your bill pay from your checking account if you are a bill pay user, it can start and stop any time you want. Two easy ways to make life just a little easier in these busy times!

Ministry Opportunities

- **Storage Organizing Team**—We're forming a team to organize storerooms in the church this summer. If you're willing to help, let Jana Reinhart know: Janareinhart@comcast.net.
- **Funeral lunch volunteers** are sought, as well as funeral lunch coordinators to organize a simple funeral lunch on occasion. Please see Pastor Bill or Laurie. Training and guidelines are provided, as well as help in recruiting workers and desserts.



Preschool News

We spent much of April enjoying a wonderful unit on Creepy Crawlers. Even though the weather felt like spring one week and then winter the next, we enjoyed a little outdoor play time! This month we also took a field trip to start our unit on planting and growing. We visited Oliver Kelley Farm in Elk River for an informational and fun walk-thru to learn more about farms.

In May we will hold conferences for our 4/5 class, prepare a special surprise for Mother's Day, and end the year in the Jurassic Era stomping around with friends. We will be playing outside whenever the weather permits, experiencing more big muscle exercise with our swings, riding toys, balls and basketball hoop---and getting lots of Vitamin D! We will also have our last classes with Gym Nation and our last chapel visits with Mrs. McLain, and Debbie Bishop.

The month of May also sadly brings our Preschool year to a close. On May 23 and 24, right before Memorial Day, we will have our end-of-year picnics. On those days, families bring picnic lunches for our outdoor gathering; each class shares some special songs and dances, and the teachers present each child with his/her personalized CD full of photos of the year. And then, of course, lots of hugs and kisses as we sadly say good-bye for the last time and head into the days of summer.

Thank you for all the support this year! Our scholarship dollars were well used by helping those families in financial need, which helped provide vital early education for three youngsters. What a tremendous outreach we provided by helping the youngest in our community build the base for a solid education in a Christian atmosphere. Your dollars were well spent!! Thank you!!

Christine, Jennifer and I feel privileged and thankful to work here, and we dearly loved all of our preschool children. God has richly blessed our lives, and so we educate and enrich the lives of our little ones, teaching them about their world and God's love!

Melissa Ungaro, Director



Celebrating BUMPreschool!

As BUMPreschool wraps up its final year, we want to celebrate the impact it's had on children and families for the past 11 years, and honor the staff for the fabulous job they've done.

BUMPreschool Recognition Sunday, May 19

BUM teachers Christine Hartke and Jennifer Hanson, and director Melissa Ungaro will be honored during morning worship services.

BUMPreschool Open House Sunday, May 19

11:30 am-1:00 pm

Methodist City Park Playground
(weather permitting, otherwise indoors)

Visit with the staff and other BUMP families to share memories and express appreciation for the gift of this early childhood education ministry to the community. Light refreshments.

Preschool Liquidation Sale

Thursday, May 30

Friday, May 31

9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Buffalo United Methodist Church

All the furnishings, educational play equipment, thematic unit books and supplies will be sold during a two-day sale. If you know of someone looking for high-quality items for a home daycare or personal use, please let them know about the sale. All welcome—spread the word!



NEWS!! One united worship service this summer at 9:00 am!

Meet in the Middle

aka "M & M" Summer Worship

For many years people have brought up the idea of going from two to just one worship service for the summer months. As with everything, there are pros and cons, so it's been discussed but not attempted. This year the leadership team has approved a plan to try it out this summer and see how it goes.

We're calling it "Meet in the Middle" because we plan to split the difference on worship times and start at 9:00 am. This is still early enough to give people most of the day for other activities, but a little later for regular early service attenders and visitors to sleep in a bit. We'll also "meet in the middle" with music and will include many different musicians and song selections each week to give everyone some of their favorites. Some of the reasons to try are:

Vibrancy! To create a greater presence in worship during summer months when attendance wanes at both services. Worship feels more vibrant when more voices are joined together!

Connection! We'll get to know some people who usually attend a different service than we do, and can share worship and fellowship together. Our musicians, ushers and worship leaders will also have a chance to try some new collaborations and pairings.

Mission Field! As we continue to live into our MCCI commitment to explore new Sunday morning schedule and worship ideas in order to reach our community more effectively, this is a hands-on chance to try out something new. For example, research says that from 9:00-10:30 am is the prime time for people to worship on Sundays. We'll see if that seems to hold true for us and our community.

We ask everyone to pray for this new venture, that it will bring us closer together, move us toward our MCCI goals and provide a more inviting opportunity for our guests, especially those seeking a church home. Rumor has it there may even be a regular supply of M&Ms!!

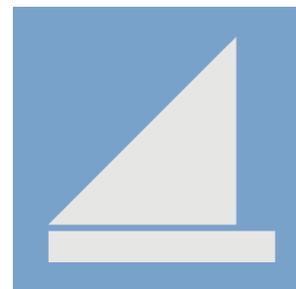
Use the New Online Church Database... It's a Breeze!!!

Our church's new online database is called Breeze, and it really is a breeze to use! Soon you will receive an email from church with information on how to access the database to look up someone's phone or address from home any time you wish.

Don't worry, no one else can see anything but basic contact information about you, not birthdates or other details – just names, addresses, phone numbers etc. (Test it out by checking someone else's profile, and you'll see which information is available to others.)

You will also be able to change your own household's contact information including email or address changes yourself, and check other personal data on yourself. Once you go in and set things up on your family profile, you will be able to access basic contact information from your computer, phone or other device.

Many churches now use their online church database in place of a picture directory, because we can each post pictures on our profile page. You will get instructions on how to load your own picture, or if you need help we'll provide it on Sunday mornings. We can even provide photographers to take pictures of you if you wish.





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Methodist City Park

There will be lots of activities at this free event, so we hope you'll invite your friends and neighbors! The park area will be filled with activity booths where families can enjoy fun together!



This May

**ALL STUDENTS
GRADES 7-12**

Are invited to join us
in the youth room
EACH Wednesday!

PARENT REMINDER:

Remember to send dinner
money with your students
when they come on
Wednesday evenings.

Pizza \$1/slice; POP .50 can!

**We will be meeting
May 2, 9, 16 ending
with a picnic at
BeeBe Lake Park on
May 22 (meet there!)**

Kindness is the language
which the deaf can hear
and the blind can see.



**“Where Everybody
Knows Your Name!”**

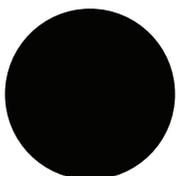
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(The guy who should know stuff)

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Senior High Youth

WE CAN BE THE CHANGE

AN ALL CHURCH MISSION WEEKEND

FOR AGES 1-101!

June 13-16!

Amid all of the short-term and long-term resources we pour into mission trips, we need to remember that we are all missionaries that God has strategically placed within communities! Instead of sending our whole church body to another location, we plan to hold a mission trip in our own backyards! Plan to set aside a dedicated chunk of time this summer in an effort to come together and serve, pray over and celebrate the communities where God has placed us!

From June 13-16 we will partner with area organizations to make a **BIG** change in **BUFFALO!** We have a long list of persons who need things done but for reasons of economic, age, or isolation can not get them done. In a 3-day blitz we will do our best to complete every project together. We will paint, build, tear down, and replace anything and everything for anyone who needs help.

WE WILL begin to change our world,

and the attitudes and dreams of others as we go.

Please join us as we transform our world and ourselves!

WE WILL NEED:

Workers, volunteer treat makers, loans of garden tools, people to visit the elderly, people to give away free hot dogs and pop.

There is a way to be involved for every person!

SIGN-UP SHEETS

are located around church

Inquiries to 763.682.3538

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Youth Mission Trip 2019

Urban Bound: Minnehaha Mission

WHEN: July 28-31 COST: \$75.00

WHERE: Minnehaha United Methodist (south Mpls)

Contact Curtis or any adult leader for more information. You can sign up with Curtis or by leaving a \$50 deposit in the Church office!

May Schedules & Information

Scripture Reader Schedule Traditional/Joint Service 10:30/9:00	
May 5	Dianne McLain
May 12	Traci Lay
May 19	Rita Varner -Otness
May 26	Dave Gaeth (9:00)
Coffee Server Schedule	
May 5	UEC: Lawrence & Darla O'Flanagan, Nikki, Jenna, Amber
May 12	Barb Sande & Glenda Vidmar
May 19	Jim & Sandy Tool
May 26	Martyn & Alison Dibben (10:00 am)
Usher Schedule	
8:15 am	
May 5	Barb Odenthal & Georgia Pollock
May 12	Georgia Docherty & Tim Schwietering
May 19	Jeff & Kris Wurtzberger
10:30 am	
May 5	Ivan Erickson, Lester Hamann
May 12	Iona Markley & Sue Sorsoleil
May 19	Susan Anderson & Linda Bostic
9:00 am	
May 26	Larry & Darla Frink and/or Ivan Erickson & Linda Bostic

Looking Ahead... Items to Put on Your Calendar	
June 1	Saturday Awakenings—The Gallery Trio
June 2	Graduate Recognition FSS
June 9	Higher Call Gospel Quartet leads worship
June 13-16	We Can Be the Change all-church mission event
June 18-20	Annual Conference
June 19	Summer Reading Program begins
June 29	Wesley Meal



Resources

Current issues of the *Upper Room* are available in the entryway for a nominal donation.

Prayer Requests

Call the office, email or use the pew response cards to make prayer requests for the prayer circle. For inclusion in Sunday morning announcements, turn them in to the pastor before the worship service.

Prayer Circle

Please call the church office at 763-682-3538 with prayer concerns or to be part of the prayer circle.

Flowers for the Altar

Do you have a special event or person you want to honor with flowers some Sunday? Sign up on the flower chart posted by the office, and indicate if you will bring your own, or place your check for \$40 in the offering marked "flowers" and we will order.

Please let the church office know:

- If your telephone number, e-mail address or mailing address change.
- When a member of your family is hospitalized or in need of pastoral care.
- If you would like Holy Communion brought to you.
- If you know of someone in the congregation that could use a delivered meal.

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule (through May 19) 8:15 am Joyful Praise Worship 9:20-10:20 a Fellowship & Education 10:30 am Traditional Worship Sunday Schedule (starting May 26) 9:00 am Meet in the Middle Worship 10:00 am Fellowship			1 8:15 am Weight Watchers 2:00 pm Guest Connections Meeting 6:00 pm Confirmation Focus Night 6:00 pm Sr High Youth 7:00 pm Handbells @ Annandale Care Ctr 7:30 Joyful Praise	2 1:00 pm Thursday's Gathering 6:30 pm AA Women's Group 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study at Paulette's	3	4 7:30 am Worship Design Team Meeting 9:00 am New Member Class 9:00 am AA
5 Holy Communion Handbells Play both services Jesus Rocks sings both services 12:00 pm Baby Animal Fair @ Buffalo Civic Center 7:30 pm AA (FH)	6 9:00 am Commodities 10:00 am AA 6:00 pm Praise & Coffee @ Perkins 7:30 pm AA	7 10:30 am AA 6:30 pm Weight Watchers 7:00 pm Property Team Meeting	8 8:15 am Weight Watchers 6:00 pm Confirmation Focus Night 6:00 pm Sr High Youth 7:00 pm Handbells @ Park View Care Ctr 7:30 Joyful Praise	9 1:00 pm UMW @ Park View 6:30 pm AA Women's Group 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study at Paulette's	10 6:00 pm Private Rental	11 9:00 am AA
12 Love Offering Received Mother's Day 7:30 pm AA	13 10:00 am AA 6:15 pm BeFrienders 6:30 pm Prayer Journal Reunion 7:30 pm AA	14 10:30 am AA 6:30 pm Weight Watchers 7:00 pm Leadership Team Meeting	15 8:15 am Weight Watchers 6:00 pm Confirmation Faith Night 6:00 pm Sr High Youth 7:30 Joyful Praise	16 6:30 pm AA Women's Group 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study at Paulette's Newsletter Deadline	17	18 7:30 am UMM 9:00 am AA 11:00 am- 2:00 pm Party in the Park
19 Celebration Sunday - All children sing New Members Received Ministry Leaders & BUMP Staff Recognized 11:30-1:00 BUMP Open House 2:00 pm Park View 7:30 pm AA	20 10:00 am AA 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:30 pm AA	21 10:30 am AA 6:30 pm Weight Watchers 7:00 pm SPRC Meeting	22 8:15 am Weight Watchers 6:00 pm Confirmation & Sr High Youth Picnic	23 5:30 pnm Diners Out @ Perkins 6:30 pm AA Women's Group 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study at Paulette's	24	25 9:00 am AA
26 Baptism - Jace Davis Summer Schedule Begins - 9:00 Meet in the Middle Worship 7:30 pm AA	27 10:00 am AA 7:30 pm AA	28 10:30 am AA 6:30 pm Weight Watchers 7:00 pm Finance Team Meeting	29 8:15 am Weight Watchers 7:30 Joyful Praise	30 9:00- 6:00 Preschool Liquidation Sale 6:30 pm AA Women's Group	31 9:00- 6:00 Preschool Liquidation Sale	

