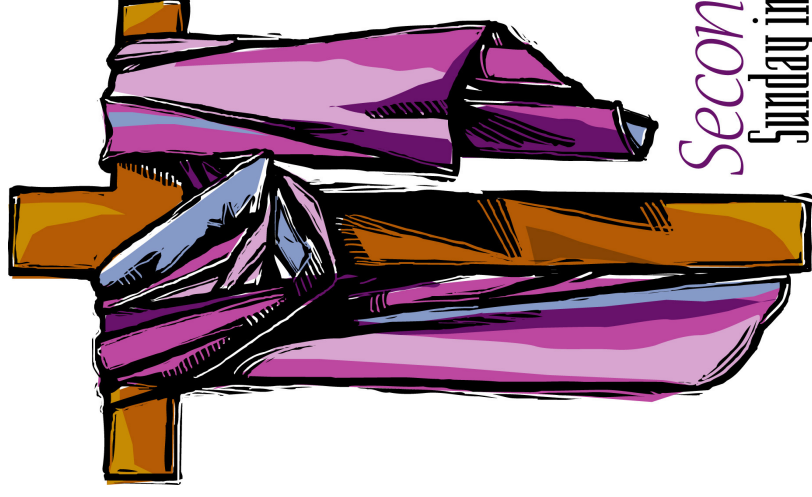


CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

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Today	8:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
	8:15 a.m.	Worship and Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Prayer Group
	9:25 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School, Confirmation Class
	4:15 p.m.	GUMBY
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Handbells
	6:00 p.m.	Jr./Sr. High UMYF
	6:30 p.m.	Grace Night Out
Mon., March 9	7:00 p.m.	Evangelism Ministry, Finance Com.
Tues., March 10	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	10:00 a.m.	Newcomers
	10:30 a.m.	UMW - A Call to Prayer & Self Denial
	4:45 p.m.	Master Teacher Tutoring
Wed., March 11	7:00 p.m.	Police & Fire Personnel Prayer Serv.
	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	TOPS, Vesper Handbell Choir
	6:30 p.m.	Mid-Week
	7:00 p.m.	Altar Choir, Trustees
Thurs., March 12	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Christian Believer, Men's Bible Study
		Cultural Event
Fri., March 13		Fusion Rally
Sat., March 14	8:00 a.m.	UMM Lenten Breakfast-Main St. UMC
		Fusion Rally

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK



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United Methodist Church is a Christ-centered fellowship called to offer the best we can possibly give to God, as we care for our community and world through...

- ...worshipping, glorifying, and honoring God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- ...inviting all to grow in the knowledge of the Lord.
- ...living a Spirit-filled life through our actions and words.
- ...offering the love of Christ to everyone.

If you are in need of a pastor outside office hours the week of March 8 - March 14, please call Pastor Chris Roberts at 765-457-2841 or 765-480-8393.

WELCOME to worship at Grace United Methodist Church. We are happy that you are worshipping with us today and invite you to become a part of our fellowship. This is a holy place for worship, prayer, and celebration of what Jesus Christ is doing in our lives.

CHILDREN are always welcome in our worship services. Ask an usher for a special children's activity worksheet. First-time guests under age 12 are invited to inquire at the Welcome Center for a special gift. As a courtesy to parents, childcare (nursery thru 4 years) is available across from the sanctuary in Rooms 201 & 203.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH, for children preschool through Grade 2, is a time for worshipping the Lord in a more relaxed and interactive manner. We ask that parents please come and pick up your child(ren) from the Multi-Purpose Room at the conclusion of the service. There is no Children's Church the first Sunday of each month.

WORSHIPERS WHO ARE HEARING-IMPAIRED, are encouraged to ask an usher for an individual sound receiver to assist in hearing the worship service.

WORSHIPERS WHO ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED, are welcome to ask an usher for a large print worship bulletin.

COFFEE AND DONUTS is a social time offered following our 9:25 worship service. We invite everyone to go to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

PLEASE PASS THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP PADS— Guests and members are requested to fill out the attendance pads found in the pews. Please take time to read the names as the pads are passed back so you may become familiar with the names of those around you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Kokomo Urban Outreach has a great need for food and paper items. Here is a list of needed items needed weekly by our local Missionary, Jeff Newton:
Urban Outreach Canned vegetables, canned pasta meals, canned fruit, canned meats (tuna and chicken), meal in a can (Beef Stew, chicken and dumplings), soup and crackers, peanut butter, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, cereal, boxed potatoes, pasta sides, baked beans, toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels, dish detergent, laundry detergent, tooth paste and empty water bottles for detergent.

Wow, the need is great! Kokomo Urban Outreach is seeing many more people come to their food pantry in need of basic items. The tough economic times are hitting the community Jeff Newton serves. Grace Church can help to meet some of those needs. The Mission Ministry Team helps out KUO, CAM and The Kokomo Rescue Mission by weekly collecting needed items in the yellow bags. However, if you can help a little extra at this time, please drop these items off at Kokomo Urban Outreach at Trinity UMC or bring them to the parlor area where we will distribute them promptly.

You may call Deanna Ancil at 457-1983 or 434-5057, if you have any further questions. She is helping coordinate this effort for Kokomo Urban Outreach.

UNITED METHODIST MEN MONTHLY MEETING - "How Pornography Affects Men, Their Wives, Our Society and the Church" will be the topic of the March 23 meeting of the United Methodist Men. The pervasive temptation and addiction to pornography has been named a priority concern by the UMC's Commission on United Methodist Men. Rev. Bob Lawson, a Pastoral Counselor working out of Faith Presbyterian Church, will be a special guest at this meeting. While most meetings of UMM are open to women, due to the nature of this month's topic, we ask that only men attend. Reservations for the catered meal may be given to Val Harris at 765-453-6952.

COFFEE AND DONUTS - We need your help! Do you like to serve others? How about coming down to the Fellowship Hall and sign up to serve coffee on Sunday mornings during the fellowship time! We have a sign-up sheet located on the coffee/donut table in the Fellowship Hall. Mel Hobbs has graciously offered to make the coffee and cut the donuts before the worship services. You would be responsible to pour the coffee/lemonade and clean up afterwards. All people with gifts of service and/or hospitality – this is the place for you!

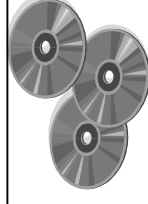
BIRDS ARE BACK! A breaking news release just informed us that flamingos will be flocking back to Kokomo and the surrounding areas for a youth fundraiser. They will be flocking to people's yards and will not be able to move until their "keepers" are notified. Be on the look out for information coming in order to protect yourself. The flamingos will begin flocking on April 1st and end their flocking on April 30th. Watch out!! Sign-ups will begin **TODAY** in Fellowship Hall after Sunday service.

PLEASE JOIN THE PRAYER PARTNERS from Grace, St. Luke's, and Main Street UMC Churches for *A Concert of Prayer* for our Police and Fire Personnel on Tues., March 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Main St. United Methodist Church.

JOIN US TONIGHT for another night of "Grace Night Out". It begins at 6:30 p.m. This is a study for the whole family. The Graceful Arts program will teach the children about communion as they do crafts, play games and sing songs. Also plan on attending the Special Seder Meal on Sat., April 4. Sign up at the Church Office or call 457-5329. Join us at this Great Event!

LENTEN BREAKFAST SERIES - "IN MISSION WITH CHRIST" will be held Sat., March 14 at Main St. United Methodist Church. Guest speaker will be Shirley Dominick. Breakfast will be at 8:00 a.m. and a freewill offering will be taken with the proceeds to be divided equally among CAM, Crisis Center, KUO, Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, and Samaritan Care Givers. Please make reservations by 4:00 pm Thursday, prior to the Saturday breakfast by calling Main St. UMC at 457-8248.

CONFIRMATION CLASS - The class, for all youth who have not been confirmed, will continue during the Sunday School hour through May 20. See Pastor Chris for more information.



CD'S OR TAPES are available for each Sunday Worship Service. Contact the church office for more information (457-5329).