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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Today	7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service
	8:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	9:25 a.m.	Easter Sunday Celebration
Mon., April 5	7:00 p.m.	Administrative Council
Tues., April 6	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	11:30 a.m.	Added Grace
	7:00 p.m.	UMW Board Meeting
Wed., April 7	12:00 p.m.	Huddle,
	6:00 p.m.	TOPS, "Mid-Week"
Thurs., April 8	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	7:00 p.m.	Disciple 1, Men's Bible Study

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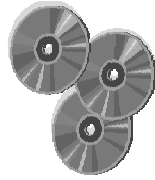
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CD's are available for today's Worship Service. Contact the church office for more information (457-5329).

If you are in need of a pastor outside office hours please call Pastor Steve Beutler at 765-455-0515 or 765-432-1088.

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 4 yrs. through Grade 2)...The kids are invited to have a worship experience of their very own in the Chapel each week. It is a great opportunity for the kids to hear the same Scripture as the grown-ups—but at their own level—and with plenty of chances to get up and 'get the wiggles out!' Parents can meet their child[ren] in the Fellowship Hall for donuts following the service. Children will be dismissed to Children's Church every week, but the first Sunday of each month they will return to their parents/caregivers in the Sanctuary before Communion is served.

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.

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.

PSALM 150 SERVICE...On Sunday, 11 April, Rev. Stacee will be leading the 9:25 am worship in a new way – with a praise band and a praise team in a simple, relaxed atmosphere of worship and adoration to Jesus Christ our Lord. This will be a new experience for all, so let's experience the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection together!

SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE, SO IT'S TIME TO START THINKING VBS! The UMC Cluster VBS will be hosted by Main St. UMC this year: Sunday, June 13 through Thursday, June 17 from 6-8pm. Registrations for children 3yrs – 5th grade will be available next week at the Welcome Center. Volunteer Registrations will also be available. For more information, please talk to Amanda Kelly or call the church office.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO SERVE THE LORD? All who would enjoy the ministry of taking Communion to our Shut-In or Nursing home members please see/call Jayna Beutler (455-0515) or the Church Office (457-5329). Our Shut-In and Nursing Home members were at one time the leaders of our church. It is with great joy that we are including them in our sacramental highest moment of worship. 1 Peter 2:9 declares that we are all ministers of Jesus Christ and are qualified to serve one another. The Communion committee will have the elements ready and provide you with a brochure including the liturgy you can read as you offer the bread and juice to these long-time members of Grace UMC.

ADDED GRACE APRIL PROGRAM HAS BEEN CHANGED TO "SOMETIMERS BARBERSHOP QUARTET". The May meeting will be Rev Stacee and Jeff Gehring. The "Sometimers Barbershop Quartet" is a group that has been singing for quite a few years and should provide an entertaining program so please plan to come. The cost of the meal will be \$6.00. Please make your reservations at church on March 28 or April 4 or by telephone at 452-3038 (Nancy Hefley).

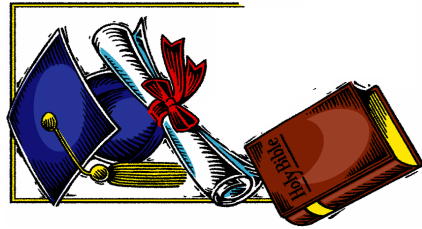
THEY DID IT AGAIN! The kids set a goal and achieved it once again! Many did extra chores to earn money, some brought in birthday money, and many collected spare change from members of the congregation. They were able to collect well over \$250. This school year the kids have sent a goat and 2 boxes of chicks to families in an underdeveloped country, and now will have provided fresh water for an entire classroom of children for the next 10 years! Thank you so much for being so supportive of their goals to help others!

LIFT YOUR SPIRITS FOR 2 MORE WEEKS – We enjoyed the food and fellowship so much, we wanted to do it for 2 more weeks! On April 18 and 25 LIFT programming will continue, which includes crafts for children, Youth Bells, a shared meal, Children's Choir, Youth Group, an Adult Bible Study led by Rev. Stacee, and "For Him the Handbells Toll."

CHILDREN'S CHOIR – The children will be sharing their singing talents for the Joyful Day of Methodist Music on May 2 and on Mother's Day, May 9. If you would like your children to participate, please bring them to LIFT on April 18th and 25th. Choir rehearsal begins at 6:30 pm.

HERE I AM SUNDAY – On Sunday, 25 April, Grace UMC is proud to welcome Matthew Brown who will direct the Altar Choir and a string quartet on his own composition of "Here I Am, Lord." The piece was commissioned by Nancy Stokley and will premiere at the 9:25 am service on April 25th. We look forward to participating in this momentous event and know the congregation will greatly enjoy the music.

JOYFUL DAY OF METHODIST MUSIC – On May 2 we will celebrate the role that music plays in our worship with a service of music. All the musical groups at Grace UMC will participate in the 9:25 am service: Vesper Handbells, Youth Bells, For Him the Handbells Toll, Children's Choir, Altar Choir, Chamber Ensemble and Gospelaires. Please join us as we "make a joyful noise unto the Lord!"



ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS: Graduation recognition Sunday will be May 16 for those graduating from high school and college. In order to recognize your accomplishments, we need some information from you. Please fill out the form below and either drop it in the collection plate or return it to the office (parents of college students are requested to complete this for their student). You may also contact Arlene Buell at abuell@iuk.edu.

Name _____

Graduating from _____

Future Plans _____

If graduating from college, what degree did you receive? _____

Even if you will be unable to attend the recognition on May 16, we would still like to honor you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS