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"Becoming passionately outward-focused for Jesus Christ." My dear friends,

*I miss you.* I still see a few folks: those who stop by to say hello or drop off food pantry donations or offerings; those who walk with us on Wednesdays and Fridays; those I social-distance at the grocery store; but for the most part, I don't see many people. One of the many reasons I went into ministry in the first place was my delight in working with a variety of people in large and small groups. I miss that, and I miss you.

I'm getting more and more calls and emails asking when we are "reopening" the church. My typical response has become, "When it is safe to do so." That's quick and easy, but it doesn't address the real issue. The real issue is much more complex. Let me be clear: the church has never been closed; only the building. Throughout the pandemic, we have been offering prerecorded worship on Facebook and on our website. We have been continuing to support our community through our food pantry, and we have maintained communications by mail, email, and telephone. We are STILL the church.

As the song says, the church is not a building, the people are. And in order to maintain the health of the people of our congregation and community, many of whom are in high risk categories, we are choosing to suspend onsite, in-person worship until it is safe to gather in accordance with Federal (CDC), State (KDHE), and local (Unified Government) guidelines.

I realize everyone is missing human contact during these times as much as I, but reopening the building now to the entire congregation would put too many restrictions on our gathering to be enjoyable, not to mention the extra burden on our cleaning staff and volunteers.

Beginning June 1, however, small groups of less than 15 will be allowed to meet, provided each person wears a mask and proper social distancing of at least 6 feet is observed at all times. This will be left to the discretion of the leaders of the groups. Our calendar has more on it than in the past couple of months.

Another opportunity to check-in is coming up on June 7, when I will offer drive-in communion in the west parking lot from noon to 1:00 PM. I will have a station set up on the south end of the center parking area, where I will provide consecrated elements in sealed containers to the occupants of the cars. We can then say a prayer together, and you can be on your way. I ask that you enter from the west and leave to the east to avoid traffic congestion. We hope to have new directories to pass out to you at that time as well.

Administrative Council will meet on Sunday, June 14 at noon to address the plethora of things that must be considered before we can worship again in the building. Please continue to pray for our leadership as we make difficult decisions.

Much of our United Methodist doctrine can be summed up in the three simple rules: Do no harm. Do good. Stay in love with God. That's what we're trying to do with the actions we have been taking.

Thank you for your patience during these challenging times. I look forward to the time when we can safely gather together again.

Blessings,

Pastor Kim

| June Sermon Schedule |   |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Open Our Eyes        |   |  |  |  |  |
| June 7               | Go, Therefore (Matthew 25:16-20)          |  |  |  |  |
| June 14              | See All the People (Matthew 9:35-10:8-23) |  |  |  |  |
| June 21              | Hear All the People (Matthew 10:24-39)    |  |  |  |  |
| June 28              | Love All the People (Matthew 10:40-42)    |  |  |  |  |

### ~Partners In Prayer~

What is Partners in Prayer?

Some of us like to pray when people need our prayers- sickness, lost job, etc. **This is also the manner by which death and service information is shared.** If you would like to be a partner or have a need, please call the church office at (913) 788-5503 or Donna Lesher at (913) 287-9668 and let us know.

June's "Our Daily Bread" books are here. If you'd like one, please stop by the church to pick one up.

The weekly Sunday School class that meets in the library looks at current events and discusses how the Bible speaks to contemporary life. The lesson is still being emailed out on Thursday of each week and we gather at 10:00 on Sunday via Zoom to talk.

The Crusaders Class is an adult Sunday school class that meets in the room just off Fellowship Hall. They participate in a number of different studies.

We also offer Sunday school classes for children and youth, and nursery care for the wee ones.

Come check out our Sunday school offerings when we reopen and find the class that fits you best!

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

Women's Bible Study will be covering Romans by Melissa Spoeltra and we are planning to begin Monday, August 10, 6:30 PM at the Parsonage.

### **. United Methodist Women**

### **Fellowship Opportunities**

New ladies are always welcome!

<u>Ladies Quilting Group</u>
Has been suspended until further notice

Friendship Circle
Has been suspended until further notice

#### **MEN OF INTEGRITY**

Has been suspended until further notice

### **CHURCH WOMEN UNITED**

Has been suspended until further notice



Has been suspended until further notice.

Kids will enjoy games, a video and snacks.

If you would be interested in helping with the rotation please contact Jennifer Beard.



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| Sun  | Mon   | Tue                                  | Wed   | Thu                  | Fri   | Sat                 |
|  | Boy Scouts<br>7:00 PM                                     | 2                                    | Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM                                     | 4<br>SPRC<br>1:00 PM | <b>5</b><br>Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM | 6                   |
| 7 Worship posted at 7:00 am COMMUNION Noon-1:00 PM | 8<br>Boy Scouts<br>7:00 PM                                | <b>9</b> Education Committee 7:00 PM | 10<br>Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM                               | 11                   | 12<br>Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM       | 13                  |
| 14 Worship posted at 7:00 am  Admin Board Noon     | Worship<br>Committee<br>10:00 AM<br>Boy Scouts<br>7:00 PM | 16                                   | Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM<br>Worship<br>Committee<br>11:00 AM | 18                   | 19<br>Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM       | First Day of Summer |
| Worship posted at 7:00 am  LAPPY FATHER'S DAY      | Boy Scouts<br>7:00 PM                                     | 23                                   | 24<br>Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM<br>SPRC<br>6:30 PM            | 25                   | 26<br>Neighborhood<br>Walk<br>7:30 AM       | Trustees<br>9:00 AM |
| 28<br>Worship posted<br>at 7:00 am                 | 29<br>Boy Scouts<br>7:00 PM                               | 30                                   |   |                      |   |                     |



### OUR JUNE BLOOD DRIVE HAS BEEN CANCELED, but the need continues!

COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER
4040 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64111
877-468-6844

### Wake Up & Donate: May 4 - October 31

Win the chance to drift away on the bed of your dreams in the "Wake Up & Donate Blood Drive!"

Register to donate with CBC May 4 through Oct. 31 and you are automatically entered in the drawing to win the grand prize luxury Sleep Number bed!

The campaign features three donor t-shirt designs and CBC are challenging eligible donors to collect all three. The "Wake Up & Give" t-shirt is the first design. It's free when you register to donate May 4 through July 4. "Wake Up and Donate," then sleep easy after helping save lives!



# Communion Sunday, June 7, 2020, Noon - 1:00 PM West Parking Lot

There will be a station set up on the south end of the center parking area. Please enter from the west end and leave to the east end to avoid traffic congestion. Consecrated elements will be provided in sealed containers to the occupants of the cars. New directories will be handed out to you at that time.



Come unwind in the middle of a hectic week. Come enjoy a time of coloring and fellowship in a relaxed atmosphere.

This group is suspended until further notice. Please keep coloring at home and post your finished work on Facebook.

All are welcome and need not be a member of the church to join.

Joann Peak is working with Cancer Action at Grinter Chapel. They make bed pads for cancer patients. They are in need of used sheets, any color, any size. Please bring your clean sheets to the WUMC Fellowship Hall to ensure pick-up. Thank You for your support!

| Preaching Schedule |                  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| June 1             | Rev. Kim Dominic |  |  |  |
| June 14            | Rev. Kim Dominic |  |  |  |
| June 21            | Rev. Kim Dominic |  |  |  |
| June 28            | Rev. Kim Dominic |  |  |  |

We are looking for helpers in the nursery for the 11:00 Service when we resume. If you are interested in helping, please call the church office.

Even though the building is currently closed, the work of the church continues. Please remember to mail in your tithes and offerings.



## Worship with us ONLINE at www.wyandotteumc.com

### **FOOD PANTY NEEDS:**

Canned Vegetables
Tuna
Soup

Food Pantry is open 9am-Noon Tuesday-Friday

### **ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST**

Has been suspended until further notice

### **Please Note:**

Most committee meetings have been added to the June calendar. <u>ALL</u> those who participate are required to wear a mask and only 2 people per table, please.

If you have an address update or correction, please let the office know by calling the office at: 913-788-5503 or emailing

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#### **NEWSLETTER**

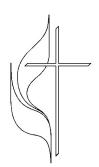
Newsletters are sent by e-mail.

If you prefer a printed copy, please call or email the office and one will be sent to you.

Deadline for articles for the July Newsletter will be Friday, June 12, 2020. (please send by email to admin@wyandotteumc.com.)

NOTE

Mailing of the June Newsletter will be Friday,
June 26.



## WYANDOTTE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 7901 OAKLAND AVENUE KANSAS CITY, KS 66112-2146 Web Site: http://wyandotteumc.com

Need prayer? Have questions? Want off our mailing list? Call (913) 788-5503

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Please save your Best Choice labels and Box Tops for Education for UMW.

Labels go in the box on the shelf above coat rack in Fellowship Hall or given to a UMW member.

### \*~ Reminder ~\*

**FREE** Bread from Panera Bread every Sunday when we meet. Cash donations are accepted for the Food Kitchen.

### Help Raise Funds for Church Maintenance Projects

Maintaining the church building can be costly. Here's how you can help;

Trustees will be selling gift cards every Sunday morning in the fellowship hall when services resume.

A listing of the cards available for purchase is on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

If you have questions, please contact Donna Lesher for details.

#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

### TIME SENSITIVE

### June Birthdays & Anniversaries

| 6/1– Jim Brown      | 6/16– Judy Belcher         |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 6/2- Gerald Ulrich  | 6/17– Alice Roberson       |
| 6/8– Dale Hacker    | 6/18– Denysha Liggins      |
| 6/8- Leeta Terry    | 6/20– Tim Stowe            |
| 6/9– Bob Babbitt    | 6/21– Taylor McWilliams    |
| 6/9– Rena Dunn      | 6/21– Jill Moore           |
| 6/10– Gabriel Brown | 6/21– Jim & Janene Brown   |
| 6/14- Brendan Kerr  | 6/22– James Michael Eaton  |
| 6/15– Kathy Thomas  | 6/24– Bill & Judi Whiles   |
| 6/16- Ethan Grissom | 6/25– Don & Nancy Bradbury |
|                     |                            |

If your birthday or anniversary is not shown on the listing that is printed each month, please call the church office so it can be added to our list.

Thank you.