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**"Becoming passionately
 outward-focused for
 Jesus Christ."**

"We're still here." "We're still here!" Simple words that can be said in a discouraged way or with excitement and enthusiasm. Sometimes just moving the emphasis from one word to another can make all the difference. Leading a church during a pandemic was not something they prepared me for in seminary. My colleagues and I are all learning as we go. It involves a lot of prayer and asking God some hard questions. However, as I prayed, I've been drawn to the letters of Paul, especially those he wrote from a prison cell in Rome to the various churches he had visited. Although he was absent, he wanted to be present with the churches, and he sought to bridge that distance. He offered his support and guidance through letters written to be read aloud in their gatherings. These letters offered hope to those gathered and helped them to look beyond their current situation to better days ahead. I've often found that hope in the letter to the Philippians, and although it was written nearly two thousand years ago, it seems so appropriate for our current situation. These writings of Paul will be the subject of our next sermon series: *Present While Absent*. In this six-week series we will take a closer look at how Paul found and offered encouragement without being physically present with his congregation, and we will consider what those words can mean to us now.

The Administrative Council met in late August and made the decision to continue with **online worship only** through September. We continue to consider the situation on a month-to-month basis, and we will meet again in September to consider the situation for October. Whatever we do, though, we know that God is with us.

So, for now, our online worship continues. You can find it on our website (www.wyandotteumc.com) and on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos). One doesn't need to be a member of Facebook to access our page. I am particularly grateful for Fonda who pre-records the music, and even includes her son Andrew accompanying her on guitar and vocals. Written transcripts of the service are sent out on Tuesday or Wednesday of the week following each service by post or email. We will once again offer drive-through communion on Sunday, September 6, 11:00 AM – noon. This has been well received the last few months, and I look forward to seeing each person who comes.

I appreciate the way that folks have continued to support the church with their tithes and offerings. Although our costs of operation are reduced, they do still exist. Currently, our financial situation is sound, and there are reserves available if we need to tap them, however, that has not yet become necessary. Our food pantry continues to face high demand, and your donations of food to this ministry are greatly appreciated.

The building is still available for small groups to meet, provided they use fellowship hall and adhere to requirements for masks and social distancing. We only request that notification be provided to the office in advance of use so that we know who has been in the building. This is extremely important because if infection would occur, we need to be able to assist the county with contact tracing.

It's good to be able to see your faces when you come for communion. In the meantime, be well and be safe, and I will see you soon!
 Blessings,

Pastor Kim

September Sermon Schedule

Present while Absent

Sept. 6	A Letter for Our Time (Philippians 1:3-11)
Sept. 13	The Message None Can Suppress (Philippians 1:12-20)
Sept. 20	Live the Word (Philippians 1:21-30)
Sept. 27	It's Not About Status (Philippians 2:1-13)

~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.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Bible Study will plan to begin again in January, 2021.

United Methodist Women

Fellowship Opportunities

New ladies are always welcome!

Ladies Quilting Group

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



Is planning to resume again in January, 2021.

Kids will enjoy games, a video and snacks.

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



Has been suspended until further notice

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. If you would like to take part, especially during the current season, please contact Pastor Kim.

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!

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM	3	4 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM	5
6 Worship posted at 7:00 am COMMUNION 11:00 AM- NOON	7 	8	9 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM	10	11 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM	12
13 Worship posted at 7:00 am 	14 Boy Scouts 7:00 PM	15	16 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM	17	18 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM Newsletter Deadline	19
20 Worship posted at 7:00 am Ad Board Meeting Noon	21 Boy Scouts 7:00 PM	22 	23 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM SPRC 6:30 PM	24	25 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM	26 Trustees 9:00 AM
27 Worship posted at 7:00 am	28 Boy Scouts 7:00 PM	29 October Newsletter Mailed	30 Neighborhood Walk 7:30 AM			

A hearty and sincere thank you to everyone who sent me cards, e-mail cards, and virtual best wishes for my 80th birthday. I feel so blessed to have been remembered by my church family. I look forward to the day we can not only see one another but shake hands or maybe give hugs. You all made my day very special!

Thanks again,
Janice Klamm

**WE are A
COMMUNITY**



Friends of our Community:

We hope that you have been enjoying the worship notes we send weekly by mail and email. We mail close to 80 worship notes each week and near the end of the month we send 80 newsletters out as well. Our postage expenses have increased with the changes of no worship in house. If you would like to help out with postage OR the cost of putting out The Visitor (monthly newsletter), we would greatly appreciate it.

Prayers for our teachers and students

The United Methodist Ministries of Kansas City, Kansas usually asks churches and their members to pray for particular schools in their community at this time. This year we are suggesting we all lift up all our students and teachers learning at home or in schools in these difficult times. Let's offer the teachers some grace as they learn new best practices to reach their students.

SHARE

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

September 2	Rev. Kim Dominic
September 13	Rev. Kim Dominic
September 20	Rev. Kim Dominic
September 27	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 or [www.Facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos](https://www.facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos)

FOOD PANTY NEEDS:

- Fruit
 - Vegetables
 - Ready to serve soup
 - Spam
 - Spaghetti Sauce (cans only please)
 - Canned Chicken
 - Tuna
 - Mac N Cheese
 - Cereal
 - Dried beans
- Food Pantry is open 9am-Noon Tuesday-Friday**

Please Note:

ALL those who participate in the Committee meetings are **required** to wear a mask and only 2 people per table in the fellowship hall, please.
Thank You

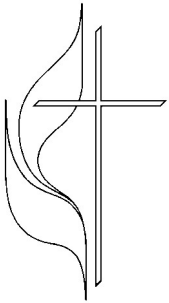
If you have an address update or correction, please let the office know by calling the office at:
913-788-5503 or emailing

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 October Newsletter will be Friday, September 18, 2020. (please send by email to admin@wyandotteumc.com.)

NOTE
Mailing of the October Newsletter will be Tuesday, September 29, 2020..



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

TIME SENSITIVE

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

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 Leshner for details.

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 9/4- Doris Wilson | 9/15- Krista Sturm |
| 9/5- Brian Eaton | 9/16- Wanda Collins |
| 9/5- Leslie Oliva | 9/16- Dana Huebner |
| 9/5- William Hunter | 9/19- Ruth Miller |
| 9/6- David Klamm | 9/19- Paula Torrey |
| 9/7- Ralph Zunick | 9/20- Melissa Randolph |
| 9/8- Willa Collins | 9/23- Donna Ready |
| 9/8- Norma Kepler | 9/24- Darlene Fisher |
| 9/12- Alicia Madrick | 9/24- Dav Riley |
| 9/13- Laura Beard | 9/27- Ruthetta Kriss |
| 9/14- Fred Eyerly | 9/29- Joan Caldwell |
| 9/14- Jen Morris | 9/29- Chuck Manherz |
| 9/14- Virginia Salazar | 9/29- Ruby White |

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.