



The WYANDOTTE VISITOR

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday
9:00AM—12:00PM
(but please call first!)
Office closed on Monday

Welcome to April!

Please join me in welcoming the newest addition to our staff, Chase Manherz. Kay Manherz has accepted a position with the Kansas City, Kansas Public Library system, but she trained her son Chase to take her place here at the church, so that we wouldn't be left without. We wish her the best! I hope you will take some time to stop by and greet Chase. For now, the office hours will remain Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 AM-noon.

I will be on vacation the week of April 1-6, and will return for worship on April 7. We will have a hymn sing that Sunday with songs from the United Methodist Hymnal and The Faith We Sing. Pastoral care during my absence will be available from Rev. Gary Roellchen of Central UMC at 913-602-0660.

During the months of April and May, on the Sundays that I am preaching, we will be spending some time taking a look at the Psalms. Throughout history, the Psalms have remained some of the favorite reading material of many people. No other book of the Bible includes such extremes of emotion, from lament and anger, to joy and celebration, all expressed as poetry. Let me know your favorites, and maybe I will be able to include them!

On page 4 of this newsletter, you can learn more about General Conference and what it is about. The 2020 General Conference of the United Methodist Church will take place April 23-May 3, 2024 in Charlotte, North Carolina. I know it sounds strange to say that the 2020 conference will be in 2024, but it was originally scheduled for May 5-15, 2020 in Minneapolis. As we all know, COVID-19 gripped the world and shut it down in March 2020, leading to the postponement of the 2020 General Conference, not once, but three times. The global pandemic, as well as extended waits for visas, eventually pushed the gathering to 2024. The delay also caused a relocation of the host city, from the originally planned Minneapolis, Minnesota venue.

One might think that a new meeting year and a new location and new proposals would lead to a new name for General Conference, but this is not so. The name remains “2020 General Conference.” In the United Methodist Book of Discipline, ¶14, it's stated that General Conference is to meet every four years, so a 2020 assembly must occur...even if it is greatly postponed. If you're doing the math, you will notice that with a 2020 General conference, there should be a 2024 General Conference to follow, but technically, this will not be the case. Instead, in the calendaring conundrum we find ourselves, the Council of Bishops is contemplating a special session of General Conference in 2026 (for 2024). Then, if all goes as planned, the 2028 General Conference will convene as usual in 2028.

Finally, I will be out the last weekend of the month attending a retreat elsewhere in the city. I will be available by phone if you need pastoral care during this brief absence.

Happy spring, and have a great month!

Blessings,

Pastor Kim

April Sermon Schedule

Let Us Sing!

April 7	Unity & Harmony (Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133)
April 14	Behold, What Manner of Love (Psalm 4, 1 John 3:1-7)
April 21	The King of Love, My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23, John 10:11-18)

Stand Alone

April 28	One with God (John 14:1-14)
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WOMEN'S MINISTRY:

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study is seeking a new leader.
Let Pastor Kim know if you are interested.

Friendship Circle

Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 10:00AM
All women of the church & friends are welcome

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Two Adult Sunday School Classes are available

Pastor Kim leads a weekly Sunday School class that meets in the Library each Sunday at 9:00 AM.

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. This class also meets at 9:00 am.

Children's Sunday school is available when children are present.

Quilting Group

Meets on Mondays, 9:30 AM-Noon
New people are always welcome!



Dear Wyandotte UMC,

Thank you for your recent generous gift of \$6,110, and for your continued long-standing support. Mobility Cart recipients are able to get up out of the dirt and move forward to a better life. Through virtue of your kindness, they realize a renewed sense of dignity, purpose, and hope for a better life! Thank you for your continued generosity!

Alan Wessler,
Board Chairman

Wyandotte Church
Invites you to join us for:

Men of INTEGRITY

A Weekly meeting every Thursday at 12 Noon
where we discuss current events, news, and events of our lives
with a biblical perspective and strive to become men with integrity.
7901 OAKLAND Ave. KCK



The Outreach Committee has chosen The HUB, a ministry of the UMC in Argentine, to be a recipient of our congregational generosity. They have given us a list of hygiene supplies to be made available in their free community market. There will be a different focus each month. **For the month of April, the focus is tooth brushes, toothpaste, Ramen noodles and T-shirts.**
Donations can be placed in the Fellowship Hall.

Wyandotte Dinners Out

Wednesday, April 10th
Location: Pizza Stop
6:00 PM

Wednesday, April 24th
Location: Pizza Stop
6:00 PM



APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	2 Retired School District Personnel 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	3 Talk Books 1:00 PM-3:00 PM S.H.A.R.E. 3:00 PM-6:00 PM	4 Men of Integrity Noon	5	6
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7 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service Communion 10:00 AM	8 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	9 PEO 6:00 PM	10 S.H.A.R.E. 3:00 PM-6:00 PM Wyandotte Dinner Out Pizza Stop 6:00 PM	11 Outreach 10:00 AM Men of Integrity Noon	12 Newsletter Deadline Noon	13
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21 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service Loud Offering 10:00 AM Admin Board 11:00 AM	22 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon Food Kitchen 9:30 AM	23	24 S.H.A.R.E. 3:00 PM-6:00 PM Wyandotte Dinner Out Pizza Stop 6:00 PM	25 Men of Integrity Noon SPRC 6:30 PM	26 Mailing of Newsletter	27 Trustees 9:00 AM Family Game Night 5:00PM-9:00PM
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April 23 – May 3, 2024

...and **KNOW** that I am **GOD**

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The United Methodist Church General Conference

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

About General Conference

General Conference is the top policy-making body of The United Methodist Church. The assembly meets to consider revisions to church law, as well as adopt resolutions on current moral, social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for church-wide programs for the next four years.

Comprised of United Methodist clergy and lay leaders who are elected from annual, missionary and provisional conferences around the world, this representative body is the only one that can set official policy and speak for the denomination. General Conference gathers for a 10-day meeting every four years.

General Conference is the denomination's highest legislative body. As such, it has the authority to make revisions to the denomination's Book of Discipline and Book of Resolutions. The Discipline is the denomination's governing document that contains its doctrine, constitution, church law, rules of organization and procedures. The Book of Resolutions contains the denomination's positions on current social issues. Resolutions expire after eight years unless General Conference readopts them.

Who votes at General Conference?

The coming General Conference plans to have 862 voting delegates — half clergy and half lay. Of the elected delegates, 55.9% are from the U.S., 32% from Africa, 6% from the Philippines, 4.6% from Europe (including Russia) and the remainder from specific affiliated churches that have close ties to The United Methodist Church. General Conference organizers are working to help delegates obtain the needed visas to attend. Interpreters will support this multinational and multicultural body in nine languages including American Sign Language. Written materials will be available in the four official General Conference languages: English, French, Kiswahili and Portuguese.

What happens during General Conference?

During General Conference, delegates will spend most of their time deliberating and voting on petitions — the United Methodist equivalent of congressional bills. Delegates deal with three categories of petitions.

- The first, and biggest, category proposes changes to the Book of Discipline, the denomination's governing document that contains its doctrine, constitution, church law, rules of organization and procedures.
- The second type of petition deals with the Book of Resolutions, which contains the denomination's positions on current social issues. Resolutions expire after eight years unless General Conference readopts them. Because the last regular session of General Conference was eight years ago, all resolutions will be up for a vote this time around.
- The third type of petition is non-disciplinary, meaning it asks General Conference to take a certain action such as forming a study group or task force.

All told, the coming General Conference has 1,099 total valid petitions before it — including 352 new petitions submitted since General Conference's delay in 2020. Those petitions can be found in the Advance Daily Christian Advocate, which contains proposed legislation.

Why is General Conference no ordinary meeting?

Even with so many decisions before delegates, Council of Bishops President Thomas J. Bickerton stressed that General Conference is no simple business meeting. Instead, he urged viewers to see this as "a convening of the Body of Christ to discern the will of God for the future of the church we love." He urged delegates to take time to pray, meditate and reflect. He also suggested delegates might fast on the Fridays leading up to General Conference. Bishops preside at General Conference but do not have a vote. Nevertheless, many know well the delegate experience, having served in that role before their elections. "If you come to General Conference with a spirit that is solely centered around legislation, trust me, you'll leave Charlotte disappointed," he said. "But if you spend these next seven weeks anticipating that the Spirit of God will show up in Charlotte and participate in actively welcoming the Spirit's presence in our midst, I believe that we all will find renewed energy and purpose for what the mission and ministry of The United Methodist Church will look like moving forward."

SHARE

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

Join us every Wednesday from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

At the church

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

Preaching Schedule

April 7	Rev. Kim Dominic
April 14	Rev. Kim Dominic
April 21	Rev. Kim Dominic
April 28	Margo Sims Gardner

Scripture Reader

April 7	Fay Sturm-White
April 14	Ruth Miller
April 21	Pat Gates
April 28	Ramona Stowe

If you'd like to read scripture on Sunday, get with Pastor Kim or contact the office at 788-5503.

Nursery at 10:00 am

April 7	Kathy M & Pat Gates
April 14	TBD
April 21	Ramona
April 28	TBD

To volunteer in the nursery:

You can sign up in the sanctuary or contact Ramona Stowe at: ramonastowe@gmail.com

Chin Service Hosts

April 7	Don & Nancy Bradbury, Donna Lesher, Bob Babbitt
April 14	Kathy Manherz, Fay Sturm-White
April 21	Tim & Ramona Stowe
April 28	Carla & Robert Chadwick

Care-Giver Needed

Older man needs senior care-giver/assistant/cook. Part time (12-14 hrs/wk) in KCK. Specific needs: Shower assistance, medicine organizing, light cooking.

Paid weekly on Fridays.

Contact Pastor Kim for more info.



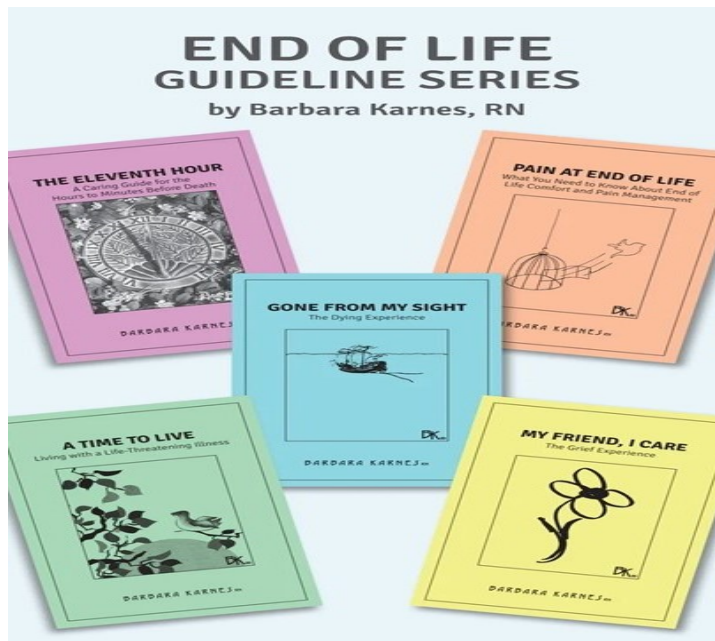
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Worship with us ONLINE at

www.wyandotteumc.com

or

[www.Facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos](https://www.facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos)



The church has a series of booklets written by Barbara Karnes, RN that deal with end of life issues for people going through challenging times for themselves and loved ones. Please feel free to check them out through the office.

If you're not attending in-person worship, please continue to mail in your offerings. If you need offering envelopes, please call the office.

NEWSLETTER

Newsletters are sent by e-mail.

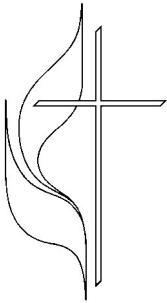
If you prefer a printed copy, please call or email the office and one will be sent to you.

Deadline for articles for the May Newsletter will be Friday, April 12, 2024. (please send by email to admin@wyandotteumc.com.)

NOTE

Mailing of the May Newsletter will be Friday April 26, 2024.

If you have an address update or correction, please let the office know by calling: 913-788-5503 or emailing admin@wyandotteumc.com.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
TIME SENSITIVE

Please save your Best Choice labels for United Women in Faith. UWF funds currently support our involvement with the Cross-Lines Food Kitchen. Labels go in the box on the shelf above the coat rack in Fellowship Hall. All labels are due by the end of April.

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| 4/3 - Richard Ayers | 4/19 - Ramona Stowe |
| 4/14 - Vickie Eaton | 4/21 - David Seetin |
| 4/14 - Donna Swank | 4/30 - Michelle White |
| 4/17 - Christina Nelms | |

Would you like to see your name on the front of The Wyandotte Visitor? Sponsor the newsletter for \$50 and you will be recognized as the sponsor of the month! Call the church for details.

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.

Help Raise Funds for Church Maintenance Projects
 Maintaining the church building can be costly and you can help by purchasing gift cards from the Trustees. Orders must be turned in to Donna Leshner. Order forms are available in the sanctuary, next to the offering box.

Our charity quilting group has grown and always needs supplies. If you have unused fabric (especially bright colors), batting, fiberfill, or thread you can spare, please consider donating it to this ministry. They will use these materials to make neck pillows, fidget blankets, lap robes, and other items to improve the comfort of many people.

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Thank you for your help!
Currently they have a specific need for new or gently used standard size pillows.