



**EPWORTH**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# ETCHINGS

**April 10, 2019**

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April 13, Saturday

3 – 5 p.m. Easter Eggstravaganza....Egg hunts, bounce house, crafts, treats, games, and more... rain or shine!! All children are invited!

April 14, Palm Sunday

Two worship services in the sanctuary - 8:45 and 11:00, telling the Passion Story with Scripture and Song. Palms provided for everyone. Backpacks will be packed after both services. (It's "Bring a Friend to Church Sunday". See page 2.)



April 18, Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. the Chancel Choir will present the cantata "Come Walk with Me". The service also includes communion and the stripping of the altar. (The church bus will pick up at Croasdaile at 6:15 and at the Forest at Duke at 6:30.)

April 21, Easter Sunday We will have services at 8:30, 9:00 and 11:00. We will observe Holy Communion, and our Chancel Choir will sing the last selection from the cantata "Come Walk with Me".

**April 14, 2019, Palm Sunday**

**8:45 and 11:00 WORSHIP**

The Passion Story

Scripture: Luke 22: 14-38

Hymns: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

*Go to Dark Gethsemane*

*Were You There*

*O Love Divine What Hast Thou Done*

Praise Team: *Here I Am to Worship*

Chancel Choir: *Blessed Is He Who Comes And No Bird Sang*

**LITURGISTS** 8:45 Maureen Oakes 11:00 Judy Daymont

**GREETER** Clara Airall

**USHERS** 8:45 Mike Shiflett

11:00 Bob Botts, Dave Harlow, Patsy Harlow, Dave Thurmond

**ACOLYTE** Ben Engel

**CRUCIFER** Caleb Engel

**YOUTH READER** Anna Darr

**BUS DRIVER** Tim Dahlgren

**SOUND TECHNICIAN** Greg Bolt

**ALTAR GUILD** Bobbie Dahlgren, Patsy Harlow

**COUNTERS** Mary Catherine McSpadden, Susan Armour

**ALTAR FLOWERS** The arrangement of palms is given to the glory of God.

## **BACKPACK EVENT**

This coming Sunday, April 14 after both worship services, we will be packing 550 backpacks for Hope Valley Elementary School. Please plan to help!

## **BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH**

Hosanna! Blessed is he (or she) who comes with a friend on Palm Sunday, April 14 to either the 8:45 or 11 A.M. worship service. Share the blessings of this special service with a friend.

**ALL FAMILIES WITH LITTLE ONES** (infants/todders/preschoolers) are invited to the Epworth playground on Saturday, April 27 from 4:00-5:15pm for play, snacks, conversation about parenting and faith, and a simple blessing on each child.

**YOUTH GROUP** meets Sunday at 5:30 for a special Holy Week program.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE UPDATE

As many of you know, at the special called General Conference in February 2019 the Traditional Plan was approved. What happens next? The Judicial Council will gather in Evanston, Illinois April 23-25, 2019 to rule on the constitutionality of the Traditional Plan. For more information: <http://www.umc.org/who-we-are/what-happened-and-what-didnt-at-general-conference-2019>.

**On Monday, May 6, Epworth Church Council will meet at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. The entire congregation is invited to attend!** (Please note the Church Council April 29 meeting date was changed.) The update from the Judicial Council will be shared at this meeting followed by the opportunity to ask any questions. Please plan to come and join us. Questions? Contact one of the pastors, Karen: [kwhitaker@epworth-umc.org](mailto:kwhitaker@epworth-umc.org) or Sangwoo: [sangwoo@epworth-umc.org](mailto:sangwoo@epworth-umc.org).

## CROP WALK UPDATE

Thanks to all of you who participated in the CROP Walk last Sunday by walking, sponsoring, and with your prayers! . We had 25 walkers and raised so far over \$2500 which was an increase from last year.

**DAN and ELLA SHARPE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS** are available in the church office. Rev. Daniel Sharpe served as pastor of Epworth Church from 1953-1957. In his will he established a scholarship fund to provide loans and grants for members of Epworth. In 1985 the first scholarship was awarded by the Endowment Committee. The continuing purpose of this fund is to give financial assistance to as many Epworth members as possible to continue their education beyond high school!

### **CHURCH STAFF**

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## APRIL 2019

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| <p><b>14 PALM SUNDAY</b><br/> <b>7:30 Praise Team Rehearsal</b><br/> <b>Worship Services: 8:45 AND 11:00</b><br/> <b>(Back Pack Event After both services)</b><br/> <b>9:50 Sunday School</b><br/> <b>10:15 Chancel Choir</b><br/> <b>12:15 UMW Exec. Comm.</b><br/> <b>LOVING HANDS MEAL SERVED</b><br/> <b>5:30 UMYF</b></p> | <p>15<br/> 1:30 Ruth Circle<br/> 3:15 Tutoring<br/> 7:30 Epworth Orchestra</p>  | <p>16<br/> 6:45 a.m. Men's Fellowship<br/> 11:00 Staff Meeting<br/> 1:30 Care Group<br/> 6:00 Yoga<br/> 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>  | <p>17<br/> 12:00 Bible Study<br/> 3:00 Prayer Group<br/> 3:15 Tutoring<br/> 6:00 Handbells<br/> 7:00 Chancel Choir</p> | <p>18<br/> 7:00 AA<br/> 7:00 Holy Thursday Service</p> | <p>19<br/> <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b></p> | <p>20</p>  |
| <p><b>21 EASTER SUNDAY</b><br/> <b>7:30 Praise Team Rehearsal</b><br/> <b>Worship Services: 8:30, 9:00, 11:00</b><br/> <b>9:50 Sunday School</b><br/> <b>10:15 Chancel Choir</b></p>   | <p>22<br/> <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - Staff Holiday</b><br/> 12:30 Susanna Cir.<br/> 3:15 Tutoring<br/> 7:30 Epworth Orchester</p> | <p>23<br/> 6:45 a.m. Men's Fellowship<br/> 11:00 Staff Meeting<br/> 1:30 Care Group<br/> 5:30 Endowment<br/> 6:00 Finance Com.<br/> 6:00 Yoga<br/> 6:00 Dinner for Pilgrimage group<br/> 7:00 Boy Scouts</p> | <p>24<br/> 3:00 Prayer Group<br/> 3:15 Tutoring<br/> 6:00 Handbells<br/> 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>                        | <p>25<br/> 7:00 AA</p>                                 | <p>26<br/> 9:30 - 12 Quilting</p> | <p>27<br/> 4:00 - 5:15 Families With little ones</p> |
| <p>28<br/> <b>7:30 Praise Team Rehearsal</b><br/> <b>Worship Services: 8:30, 9:00, 11:00</b><br/> <b>9:50 Sunday School</b><br/> <b>10:15 Chancel Choir</b><br/> <b>5:30 UMYF</b></p>  | <p>29<br/> 3:15 Tutoring<br/> 7:30 Epworth Orchestra</p>  | <p>30<br/> 6:45 a.m. Men's Fellowship<br/> 11:00 Staff Meeting<br/> 1:30 Care Group<br/> 6:00 Yoga group<br/> 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>  | <p><b>MAY 1</b><br/> 3:00 Prayer Group<br/> <b>NO Tutoring</b><br/> 6:00 Handbells<br/> 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>         | <p>2<br/> 7:00 AA</p>                                  | <p>3<br/> Youth Beach Retreat</p> | <p>4<br/> 8:00 - 2:00 UMW District Study</p>         |

*Epworth United Methodist Church declares itself a Reconciling Congregation, seeking to welcome all persons regardless of age, race, ethnicities, disabilities, gender or sexual orientation, into the discipleship of Christian living and proclaim our commitment to seek the reconciliation of all persons to God and to each other through Jesus Christ.*