



UMW NEWS

The jam is finished and ready to sell. Hopefully, it will be sold by the time you read this. I want to thank everyone who helped. We worked hard on three different days and I think that we had a great time also!

Our next meeting is June 12 at 9:30am. Both the coffee and the program will be given by Carolyn Stevens.

Morning Circle will not meet during the summer months. Evening Circle will continue to meet throughout the summer.

We are invited to Trivoli on June 12 at 6:00pm for their annual quest night. This is always a great evening. If you have any questions, call me. We will carpool.

God's grace-
Carol Kemper

Faith in Action

We are looking for projects for our Faith in Action Sunday, which will be on September 23.

We are wanting to move in different directions this year, so if you have ideas for projects we can do to serve and impact our community, please speak to Pastor Dave or Janet Mottaz or call the church office. Any suggestions are welcome.



Confirmation Sunday

Don't forget Sunday, June 10 will be one service at 10:30am at Camp Big Sky. We will be welcoming our Confirmation Class to the congregation and baptizing a few of them! There will be a potluck luncheon to follow, so bring a dish to pass. The church will be providing hot dogs and table service.

Please plan to attend to show our love and support of our newest members of our church.

Jon Bryant
Abi Davis
Bobbie Davis
Elijah Davis
Destiny Foster
Melody Glenn
Lucas Johnson
Austin Pumphrey
Adeline Webster





Dear Elmwood United Methodist Congregation,

This month marks the 1st year I've spent as your pastor here in Elmwood and I've been spending a lot of time lately thinking over the year here. I remember how welcoming everyone was the first week I moved into town with my family. Several families came to help us carry boxes and several more families provided hot homemade meals. I remember my first Sunday and how generous you all were to make us feel right at home. I was a little nervous that summer because I was trying to fill some very big shoes from your former leadership of Pastor Brad and Debby. We felt as a family a little overwhelmed at first because we knew we were nothing like what you had. However, your gracious love, acceptance and support helped to nurture us through an awkward transition.

The Lord has shown this congregation favor because of your faithfulness and courage to step-up to the challenge to reach people for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. This past year, we have seen families returning to this congregation and sadly some leaving the congregation. Attendance was a little down my first few months, but that is improving. This is always expected in any leadership change. The exciting news is that we continue to see new families joining in membership and this summer we will be receiving 9 youth joining our church membership in confirmation. It saddens me as I think of all of the funerals at which I've had the honor of serving. It is always hard to say goodbye, but also think of as well all of the various church and community functions, meals and celebrations where I've been able to be a part. Most of all, I remember all of the heartfelt conversations that have happened in my office around the church building, in our beautiful community and at the awesome parsonage you generously provide for us. My family has adapted well here, Daniel is the happiest we have ever seen him. Linda has made friends here and has it has strengthened her walk with the Lord.

Today I am simply writing to say thank you. You are such an amazing congregation and community and it has been such a blessing to be your pastor. I know I am a little silly and not always on the ball, but; I am continually blown away by your compassion, generosity and willingness to serve. I can only hope that I have inspired all of you as much as you have inspired me. You have made this first year for us amazing.

Thank you so much for all that you do here. You make this great place possible.

Sincerely,
Pastor David and Family

Upcoming Sermon Series

June 10, 2018

Message: Everyday Influence (Pt 2)

Text: 2 Corinthians 5:13-21

Theme: God's good news is what we should be sharing

June 17, 2018

Message: Everyday Influence (Pt 3)

Text: Matthew 23: 1-12

Theme: God's good news is meant to be a service to others.

June 24, 2018

Message: Everyday Influence (Pt 4)

Text: Mark 3: 13-15

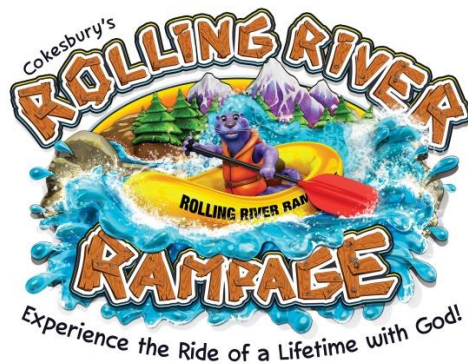
Theme: God's good news is meant to make a lasting impact.

Youth

Wow! Our youth ministry is really going strong!! High School Sunday School is on throughout the summer and Children's Church for those under third grade is underway! The leaders have some great stuff planned for the kiddies that they would want to miss! The J-Squad Youth Group meets on the first and third Sunday each month at 4:00pm.

The J-Squad Youth would like to thank everyone who participated in the gondola sale! They sold all 50 gondola tickets and raised \$100 for their mission trip in 2019. The mission trip will be a five day trip to the Quad Cities through the group YouthWorks. YouthWorks provides Christ-centered mission trips for more than 20,000 teenagers and adult leaders in over 60 communities across the U.S. and beyond. They believe that these kinds of mission trip experiences positively impact the communities they partner with, the teenagers who are stretched and challenged through a week of service, and the adult leaders who build mission trips into the ongoing discipleship of their teenagers. Their staff has been creating mission trip experiences for teenagers and adult leaders for more than 20 years.

If you know a youth who would like to go or would like to volunteer as a chaperone, please speak to Lori Johnson or Linda Pyell for more information



Registration is underway for Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School!!

We are so excited about VBS this year! We always have a good time with the kids, but this year we have Pastor Dave and his decorating magic that will turn our church into an outdoor wonderland! Sheri Kosowski has been working on the music and she is stoked about sharing it with everyone, Carrie Koll is our craft expert and has some great things in store, Janet Mottaz is our exciting storyteller and always brings the stories to life, Jesse Ebert is in charge of games and boy are they fun!

Sign your child up today for this great adventure into the Bible and onto the river! Go to the website www.elmwoodumc.com and click on the VBS tab. Volunteers are needed as well!

SERVING ON GOD'S TEAM

9 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

June 3, 2018

GREETERS: Georgia Stevens/Denise Hayes
USHERS: Kurt Webster/Doug Whitney
LITURGIST: Rusty Koll
ACOLYTES: Faith Foster/Katie German
VIDEO: Aaron Miller
MUSICIANS: New Day Worship Team
NURSERY: Candy Hall/Emily Roberts
COMMUNION: Connie Johnston/Michelle Forrest
COFFEE BAR:

June 17, 2018

GREETERS: Doug/Traci Whitney
USHERS: Sherry Powers/Janet Vallas
LITURGIST: Curt Smith
ACOLYTES: Baron Case/Lee Kosowski
VIDEO: Kent Stevens
MUSICIANS: New Day Worship Team
NURSERY: Jill Crisco/Laurie Leadley
COFFEE BAR:

June 24, 2018

GREETERS: Gene/Peggy Gibson
USHERS: Roland Ekstrand/Bob Paige
LITURGIST: Cathy Ekstrand
ACOLYTES: Ian Smith/Ty McFarland
VIDEO: Jason Hahn
MUSICIANS: Acoustic
NURSERY: Megan Perryman/Gene Gibson
COFFEE BAR: Koll Family

SERVING ON GOD'S TEAM

10:30 A.M. Worship Service

June 3, 2018

GREETERS: Celene Duley/Karen Prouty
USHERS: Charlotte Haley/Chris Stevens
LITURGIST: Karla Kane
ACOLYTES: Faith Foster/Katie German
PIANIST: Kris Petermeyer
NURSERY: Shelli/Nicole Shoop
COUNTERS: Kanes

June 10

CAMP BIG SKY
COUNTERS: Ruth Arnold/Diana Ladd

June 17, 2018

GREETERS: Joanne Endres/Peggy Harding
USHERS: Mary Nell Simpson/Celene Duley
LITURGIST: Chris Stevens
ACOLYTES: Baron Case/Lee Kosowski
PIANIST: Kris Petermeyer
NURSERY: Laurie Leadley/Michala Schauble
COUNTERS: Celene Duley/Alana Parm

June 24, 2018

GREETERS: Winifred Horney/Nancy Davis
USHERS: Mary Howard/Chris Stevens
LITURGIST: Nancy Davis
ACOLYTES: Ian Smith/Ty McFarland
PIANIST: Charlotte Booth
NURSERY: Celene Duley/Alana Parm
COUNTERS: Kanes



June Birthdays & Anniversaries

2	Errol Brewer	13	Garrett Whitehurst
2	Larry Cox	18	Cindy Fargher
2	Mary Howard	19	Sandy Cantu
2	Shannon Glover	19	Chelsea Morse
7	Leann Lovingood	19	Carolyn Stevens
7	Taylor Glover	21	Chad Wagner
8	Joe Gasparovich	23	Brad Johnson
9	Megan Johnson	25	Emily Roberts
10	Amelia Webel	26	Glenn & Nancy Moody Anniversary
10	Brad & Jill Crisco Anniversary	29	Brian & Rachel Cummings Anniversary
12	Don Forrest	30	Chad & Dara Wagner Anniversary
12	Connie Johnston		
13	Garrett Whitehurst		