

The Season of Kingdomtide

Reformation Sunday

A Joyful Community of Faith, loving God by serving all people including the least, the last, and the lost.

Pathways

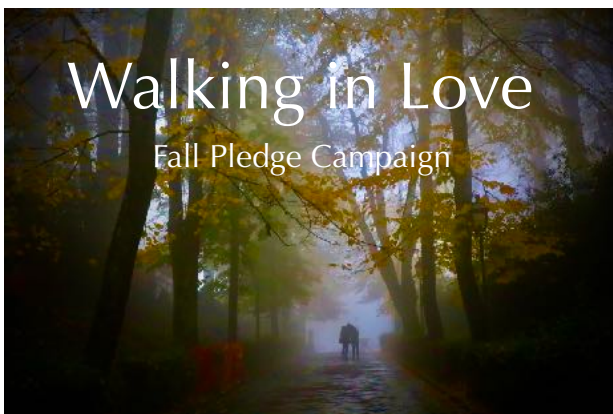
News from Eureka Springs United Methodist Church

27th of October 2024

Our [Fall Pledge Campaign](#) ends on Sunday. We invite you to return those pledge cards so that our Leadership Team can plan next year's budget. When we are walking in love, we can overcome the divisiveness of our culture, serve the least, the last, and the lost, and make disciples for Jesus Christ. Your giving sustains our mission and ministry, and we deeply appreciate your generosity and faithful living. We have a tremendous need in our [Shower/Laundry Ministry](#)! The office is simply overwhelmed trying to keep this ministry afloat. We are implementing some changes by moving shower/laundry days to Monday and Wednesday only, from 9 till 1. In order to do this we need volunteers to be here to facilitate showers and laundry as well as to sort and give out items from our blessing closet. This is only a four hour commitment on Mondays and Wednesdays, you can choose weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly service, church staff will be present. Please let us know if you are available! This ministry serves those who are in crisis who may need to clean up in order to look for a job or because they have lost utilities, or are currently living in their cars. Next Sunday is [ALL SAINTS SUNDAY](#). This is the Sunday we set aside to remember, celebrate, and honor those who have passed triumphantly thru death to life everlasting during the past year. If you have a loved one you wish to remember please send me their name, birthdate and

death date along with a picture. We will read out their names and toll the bell as our act of remembrance. Then, there will be a time during Communion when we all can come and place votive candles along the chancel rail to remember all those we have lost. This is a very sacred service, a chance to acknowledge our collective grief, and hold one another in love. Early voting is happening now, and [Election Day](#) is November 5th. I know it is popular to comment that our votes don't matter. This is unfortunate. Voting is your right and privilege and the price of that gift was paid in blood by millions who fought to make this land free. Democracy is on the ropes in many places around the world — strangled by apathy and lack of participation. When you vote you are proclaiming your vision for the future. Arkansas has one of the lowest voter participation

rates in the nation. We can do better. Please remember, at the end of the day we are Americans, not Republicans or Democrats. We should all strive to erase the divisiveness and hate that floods our nation.



The Gathering

Order of Worship

Janet Arnett, Lay Speaker
Melodye Purdy, Video Production
Jubilee Ringers conducted by Beverly Beard
John Holtzman, Choir/Patricia Taylor, Pianist

Join us in-person or via our Livestream that is broadcast thru our Facebook Page, our website, or our YouTube Channel!

9:55 ~ Announcements

Sunday, 27th of October, 2024

Ushers: Martie & Dave Davis

Communion Stewards: Janet Arnett, Sandy Dunn, Karen Kinsel, Mike Schomaker

Offering Counters: Janet Arnett, Kevin Graham

We Gather to Worship

Greeting

Opening Song:

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit,” Page 404 UMH

Communal Prayer:

The Lord’s Prayer

Songs of the Community

“How Great Thou Art” Page 77 UMC Hymnal

“Sweet Hour of Prayer” Page 496 UMC Hymnal

We Listen to God’s Spirit

Reading of Scripture

The Gospel of Luke 15:11-24

Thanks be to God

For the Gift of the Scriptures

THANKS BE TO GOD!

The Chancel Choir

“We’ll Soon Be Done with Troubles & Trials”

Arr: Cleavant Derricks

Giving Moment — Kim Stryker

A Video Reflection: “Presence”

The Message:

“Teach us to Pray: the Lord’s Prayer — Our Father”

Rev Blake Lasater

We Receive God’s Grace

Remembering Our Baptism

Holy Communion

(All our welcome to eat and drink at the table of Christ. The ‘Wine’ is just grape juice, but the Spirit of God is found in the breaking of the bread and sharing of the cup)

Sending Song

“Spirit Song” Page 347 UMC Hymnal

Benediction

(The words of Blessing that send us forth into the world to be the hands and feet of Christ to a broken world)



Caregiver Support
Group

Caregiver Support Group meets each month on the **second Tuesday at 1:00 pm** in the church library. Join other Caregivers to gain information, share ideas, problem solve, and support each other. Facilitated by Brandi Schneider, LMSW. Questions? Call Peggy Way 479.253.1583 Masks are optional.

Widow(er)s Support
Group

Our support group for Widow(er)s meets at the church library at **Noon** on the **first and third Wednesdays** of each month. Join us as we gather to share experiences and support each other on this journey. All are welcome. If you know a widow(er), let them know about our group.

Parkinson's Disease
Support Group

A support group for people with Parkinson's and their Caregivers meets the **first Wednesday** of each month in the church library at **10 am**. This is open to anyone in the community!



United
Women
in Faith

The Creation Care Community Service is tonight in our outdoor chapel 5:00 – 6:00 pm. Please come.

Holiday Alert!! Mugs for Mission from the UW Faith will be available every Sunday in November. With a suggested donation of \$10 each, you can choose specialty mugs to give as holiday surprises! Funds from the mugs will be shared with local groups and programs which benefit women, children and youth.

Save the Dates!

Important Happenings

in the Life of ESUMC

Get Involved!

Spiritual Growth: Theology on Tap meets once a month, typically last Monday of each month, at **GotaHold Brewery in ES from 5-6:30 pm** for food, fellowship, and conversation. The Twisted Taco food truck is in the back and their food is amazing! The Brewery offers beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages.

Bible Study Wednesdays 6 pm in the church library. We use Dr. Bart Erhman's [Great Courses Lectures](#) for the first 30 minutes and then use study questions to start a discussion. These lectures examine the first 300 years of church history; how the Bible developed, how the early creeds were created, how the idea of Jesus changed over time. Christianities that were thriving until Constantine. Bring a snack.

Youth Group Wednesdays, 4-5:30 pm. All are welcome!

Mobile Food Pantry church parking lot the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month**. Cars start lining up at 8:45 AM and we distribute until the food runs out, typically within an hour. If you are homebound and do not have a friend or neighbor who can pick up for you, call the church [by Noon on Mondays](#) to be added to our very [limited](#) delivery schedule.

Arkansas UM Conference
Emergency Response
Training

It is not too late to sign up for this important Emergency Response Training on **November 9, Saturday, from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm at First UMC, Springdale, AR**. To sign up or get more specifics, follow this link: FirstChurchSpringdale.org/connectional-missions. There is a \$20 fee. Church transportation is available.

Shower/Laundry & Homeless Ministry Requested Items

Our church showers are open to men and women so they can freshen up, do a load of laundry, and be ready for a job interview, medical appointment, or just a chance to be clean. Showers are available **Monday thru Thursday from 9 AM till 1:30 PM.**

Pantry Current needs: Food staples, pasta noodles & sauce, men & women sturdy sneakers/hiking boots. Donations can be dropped off at the church. **We are looking for volunteers to come in once a week to give the showers a good cleaning.**

Youth Night-Out Wednesdays 4-5:30 pm Church Youth Room

The Youth Group is open to all teens aged 13-17. Transportation is available (Call 479.244.8987) This ministry will facilitate important connections with our youth, while providing a safe place to meet each week. Would you be willing to be a mentor? Volunteer? Make snacks? There is a **youth night out box for snack donations** in the Narthex. Your participation is appreciated. For **more information contact: 515.368.1012**

Church Library

The book recommendation for this week is an autobiography—The Boy Who Carried Bricks (B/Car) by Alton Carter. Abandoned by his father and neglected by his mother, Carter describes a childhood of violence, hunger, and isolation. After living in a series of foster homes and a boys ranch the author longed for a “normal life.” He was the first in his family to graduate from high school and college. After working in law enforcement for several years he is now the director of youth ministries for First United Methodist Church in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Exploring the Old Testament

We are starting a new bible study that will serve as an introduction to the Old Testament. These are lectures by Dr Amy Jill Levine, a noted biblical scholar. This will take up about thirty minutes, and then we'll spend 30 minutes discussing the topics she raises. We meet **Wednesdays in the church library at 6 PM.** All are welcome to attend.

Emergency Response Training - Arkansas

The UMC Disaster Response, Arkansas will be holding an **Emergency Response Training at the FUMC, Springdale on Saturday, November 9 , 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM.** For information or to sign up: FirstChurchSpringdale.org/connectional-missions. It would be great to add a few more people to our Emergency Response team.

Shower Ministry Volunteer Opportunities

Our Shower/Laundry Ministry is a much needed mission in this community, and has experienced exponential growth over the last couple years. Going forward we are implementing Mondays & Wednesdays as shower/laundry days from 9-1PM. We are **looking for volunteers in the office to help facilitate this ministry.** Training is provided. This could be one Monday or Wednesday per week or month to suit your schedule. Call or email the office for more information &/or to hear stories of the many minor miracles that happen frequently while serving the least, the lost, and the last. You will be so blessed serving in this role. 479.253.8987. EsfumcInfo@gmail.com

TRUNK OR TREAT THURSDAY OCTOBER 31, 4:30-6 PM

Come and be part of the FUN, right in our church parking lot by Fellowship Hall. Decorate your vehicle, your person, your pet - get creative and help make this community outreach special for the kids and families! The low temperature is predicted (at this time) to be 55 degrees-so great weather to hang out with friends from church, or meet new friends. Candy, Costumes, FUN - what could be better!?!

Church Yard Sale

We had a **very successful sale** and topped earnings from the previous year. Sale proceeds will go back into the ES community to support various non-profits. It was a ton of work, but a great way for volunteers to meet other members of the church and community. There were many blessings along the way! We could not have done this without help from: Martie & Dave Davis, Shirley & Dennis Lykins, Chris Ritthaler, Robin Burk, SCOUT TROOP 67, Sue Odom, Lynn Baker, Kim Stryker, Gary Johnson, Kevin Graham, Mike Reed, Linda Chapman and others!! **THANK YOU!!**

Ozarks Chorale

The Chorale has a new director this year. Rehearsals are in our Fellowship Hall, we would love to have you participate. **Tuesdays, 6:30 pm.**

October

2024

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<p>October Sermon Series: <i>“Teach us to Pray: the Lord’s Prayer”</i></p>		<p>Yoga 9 AM</p> <p>AI-Anon (women) 10 AM church youth room</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 pm</p>	<p>Parkinsons Group 10 AM Library</p> <p>Widow(er)s Support Group Noon in Library</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 5:30 PM</p> <p>Bible Study 6 PM Library</p> <p>Youth Group: 4-5:30 PM</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p>		
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<p>“Deliver Us”</p> <p>Estate Planning Workshop after service</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p>	<p>Yoga 9 AM</p> <p>AI-Anon (women) 10 AM church youth room</p> <p>Caregivers Support Group 1 PM Library</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p> <p>Ozarks Chorale 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mobile Pantry 8 - 10</p> <p>Eureka! Quilters 11-2 pm Fellowship Hall</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 5:30 PM</p> <p>Bible Study 6 PM Church Library</p> <p>Youth Group: 4-5:30 PM</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p>		
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<p>“Radical Acceptance”</p> <p>Charge Conference 3 PM Harrison First</p> <p>United Women in Faith Outdoor Worship 5-6 pm</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p>	<p>Yoga 9 AM</p> <p>AI-Anon (women) 10 AM church youth room</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p> <p>Ozarks Chorale 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Widow(er)s Support Group Noon in Library</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 5:30</p> <p>Bible Study 6 PM Library</p> <p>Youth Group: 4-5:30 pm</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 pm</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p> <p>Church Yard Sale Set Up, Volunteers Needed</p>	<p>Church Yard Sale 8-4 Friday & Saturday</p>	
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<p>“Thy Will Be Done”</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p> <p>Theology on Tap Gotahold Brewing 5-6:30 PM</p>	<p>Yoga 9 AM</p> <p>AI-Anon (women) 10 AM church youth room</p> <p>Leadership Team Meeting 5 PM</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p> <p>Ozarks Chorale 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Mobile Pantry 8 - 10</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 5:30 PM</p> <p>Bible Study 6 PM Library</p> <p>Youth Group: 4-5:30 PM</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p>	<p>AI-Anon (Mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p> <p>UWF 10:00 AM Make Mission Mugs</p>		<p>Emergency Response Team leaves to serve for 10 days, 7 am</p> <p>Eureka Springs Zombie Crawl (church parking lot being used for parking)</p>
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<p>“Our Father”</p> <p>UWF 5-6 PM Outdoor Chapel Service</p> <p>Reformation Sunday</p>	<p>AI-Anon (mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p>	<p>Yoga 9 AM</p> <p>AI-Anon (women) 10 AM church youth room</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p> <p>Ozarks Chorale 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Jubilee Ringers 5:30 PM</p> <p>Bible Study 6 PM Church Library</p> <p>Youth Group: 4-5:30 PM</p> <p>Scouts 6-7 PM</p>	<p>AI-Anon (mixed) 10 AM Youth Rm</p> <p>All Hallows’ Eve (Halloween)</p> <p>Trunk or Treat 4:30-6pm Church Parking Lot</p> <p>Reformation Day</p>	<p>All Saints’ Day</p>	