

FARMINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 2021 Newsletter



ANNOUNCEMENTS

APRIL 2ND- 6:30PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

APRIL 4TH- WORSHIP 8:30 & 10:30

EASTER EGG HUNT 11:30AM

APRIL 11TH- ADMIN. MEETING 4:30PM

APRIL 15TH- UMW MEETING 10:00AM

APRIL 17TH- FOOD PANTRY 11-12

APRIL 24TH- GENESIS FEED 10-1

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A Note from Pastor Dee

"In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity; In our death, a resurrection, at the last, a victory, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see." -Hymn of Promise by Natalie Sleeth, UMH #707

As we enter into the season of Eastertide and feel the hopeful signs of both Spring and more of a sense of normalcy as cases of COVID go down this song has been in my head. Christ has won the victory for us. We are no longer consigned to the brokenness of sin and death, but we have the hope filled promise of eternity.

Many of us are still slowly working through what our new normal will be. We may also be grieving the loss of friends or loved ones. We may be impatient to get on with life as usual. Wherever we find ourselves know that you are beloved by God and that you are loved by your church family. And know you have a promise and future both now and for eternity.

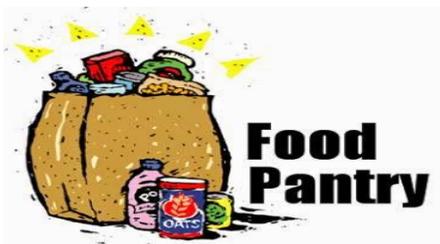
God bless you this month!

Pastor Dee

THE FOOD PANTRY

The Farmington UMC is helping to bless our community through our Food Pantry. With the help of donors and community partners like BSA and Life Ministries we are helping to resource food insecure individuals and families. Please keep the people in mind who are struggling through these hard times. Donate items or donate your time. Everything is greatly appreciated.

*The Food Pantry is held the third Saturday of the month from 11:00 am -1:00pm (**April 17th**)



The Chosen Watch Party and Discussion

Everyone is invited to The Chosen watch party and study. We will be watching and discussing The Chosen. Below is the Zoom link, it is repeating, so you can use it each Sunday. If you did not make last weeks study, do not worry, you can join us at any time. See you Sunday night on Zoom.

Topic: The Chosen Study

Time: This is a recurring meeting. Meet any time.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88239254520?pwd=Q010VStqV2FSQ0dkL1I3STISZ05yQT09>

Meeting ID: 882 3925 4520

Passcode: 679736

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April 11th – 6:00PM

April 18th – 6:00PM

EASTER NEWS

Farmington UMC will have a Good Friday Service on April 2nd at 6:30 p.m. We will be worshipping and sharing the account of Jesus' passion from the Gospel of Luke. Bailee King will be creating a painting based on the Crucifixion as we worship. I hope you will join us in person or online for this service

We will be having two Easter in person Easter worship services at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. These worship opportunities will be identical and we will continue to wear masks and social distance to as we have been doing. We invite you to come to either service on Sunday or if you are unable to worship with us online at 10:30 a.m. on our Facebook page.

We will have nursery at both service and a children's church time at the 10:30 service. After the 10:30 service we will also have an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids. Each child will be given the opportunity to hunt for a large egg filled with candy and Easter items



FUMC YOUth News

Devotional Spotlight



Finding Calm with Collin

Collin Sumpter

Psalm 121: 7-8



The Lord will keep you from all harm; He will watch over your life. The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forever.

Whenever I feel stressed, worried, sad, upset, or anxious I hold my keys in my hand. It helps me remember that I'm not alone and that everything will be alright. I think everyone should find something like this that helps them remember that a little cross on your keychain, a verse that you have written in your wallet, just something small that you can keep on you that helps you remember those things.

Collin is a Senior at Farmington High School and a member of FUMC. He has participated in volunteering for Back to School Bonanza, the Food Pantry, Genesis feed, Life Ministries, and much more! He has been involved in Faith Trippers, WNL, Youth Group, Veritas, and Christ for Youth weekend just to name a few. He is kind and quiet in nature with an amazing heart for God.

Thank you, Collin, for reminding us to find peace in Him!



Taking Time to Care with Catherine

Catherine Warren



Can you have real meaningful JOY without gratitude and thankfulness? Catherine has great advice to deepen our faith. Scan the QR code to hear her devotional!

Catherine is an active member of FUMC YOUth, volunteers regularly, FUMC YOUth Wednesday Night Live, and you can hear her nearly every Sunday as she sings with the praise band. She is a Junior at Farmington High School, active in cheer and Deca and is an exceptional student.



A Moment with Miles Miles Batson

Never give up, no matter what life throws at you. Although I can't imagine what it's like to live through your eyes, I know that any obstacles, no matter how bad, are temporary. You can, and will, get through the hardships, and you'll be rewarded for it. The rainbow comes after the storm.

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord."

Miles Batson is 14 years old and home schooled. He enjoys theater and acting, computer programming and coding, video gaming and creating. He helps his family foster animals through Fabulous Felines. He is an active member of FUMC Youth Wednesday Night Live. Miles is very insightful, kind-hearted, and a joy to know.



Ministry Motivator Naomi Polanski

I love helping out at the food pantry because I think everyone should have food. That's not a resource that should be kept from people because they can't afford it. It's the last thing someone should have to worry about after a long day of work.

It's a nice feeling to be able to give back to people. It makes me feel like I'm able to make a small difference.

Seeing the range of people that come through the drive-through line is jaw dropping. From picking up for themselves, a family of 1, or a person picking up for three families of 6. There are connections formed, too, with the "regulars". A couple of sweet ladies always carpool in a small, aged white car and pick up for themselves. They haven't been here in a few months - i wish there was a way to check on them.

I recommend volunteering anywhere you can. If not to increase your empathy and awareness than just to get service hours for a high school club or job applications. Eventually, probably very quickly, it won't be about the hours anymore.

Naomi is a member of FUMC. She is 16 and a Sophomore at Farmington High School. She is continually active in athletics and specifically Volleyball and Track. Naomi loves her dog, Toby, who she trained herself. She volunteers regularly always looking for new opportunities to help others and is a valuable addition with the Food Pantry Ministry. Her hard work ethic, passion for others, and cheerful smile is sure to brighten anyone's day!

FUMC Youth News

Student Ministry has been very active and we are looking forward to regaining the ability to have outings and resume more normal activity. As we are nearing the end of the school year we are looking forward to summer and all the fun activities that are to come. We will need adult help to make many of the activities and outings happen. We hope to be enjoying hiking and camping outings and retreat weekends, a float trip, mission opportunities in our community and surrounding area, Youth fellowship nights, lock-ins, and outings to swim and amusement parks just to name a few. We will be taking whatever precautions are necessary to stay safe and well. The students will also be helpful in activities at church too such as VBS and helping wing Melanie with Children's ministry too. To say we are overflowing with excitement to resume traditional youth activities is an understatement. Please contact Casey if you are able to help in any way.

Ministry To Go is and has been a happy development that stemmed from our 'Days of Covid' and we will continue to this ministry as it found a gap that we did not know existed. It allows students weekly delivered topic specific material that can be easily used in their on-the-go schedules. Sign up today if you would like to receive a MTG for your student.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4ea9ad2ca3f94-ministry>



Wednesday Night Live has resumed and is a hybrid (online and in person) learning experience each Wednesday. We are continuing with our Fab 15 format (15 minutes of learning and 15 minutes of sharing thoughts) and then we are working and helping with a ministry mission opportunity. This far this year we have filled the food giveaway bags for the FUMC Food Pantry, cleaned, moved, and organized the cleaning supplies and hardware materials out of the food pantry closet and into the multi-purpose closet next to it, and -organized the candy and stuffed the eggs for the Children's Ministry Easter Egg Hunt for the Easter celebration. If you have ministry tasks we might be able to help you with or would like to be our guest for WNL please sign up or reach out! We would love it!



To be a guest go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4ea9ad2ca3f94-youth2>

Casey Luther

Youth Ministry Director 479-409-8251

caseyluther@gmail.com

Loye McCormick, age 77, husband of Reba McCormick, passed away Tuesday. He had been in bad health for a long time.

UMW is raising money to help the family pay for the funeral expenses. If you would like to make a donation to help them defray some of that expense, please make a check to Farmington United Methodist Women (FUMW) and mail it to our

treasurer Linda Morrow, 13438 Little Elm Rd.,
Farmington, AR. 72730. Any amount will be appreciated and helpful.

Thank you,
Elizabeth Floyd, president



Save the date:

VBS will be June 14-17th, lots of volunteers needed! Rocky Railway is the theme. If you would like to help, contact Melanie Barnes

mellyki@yahoo.com

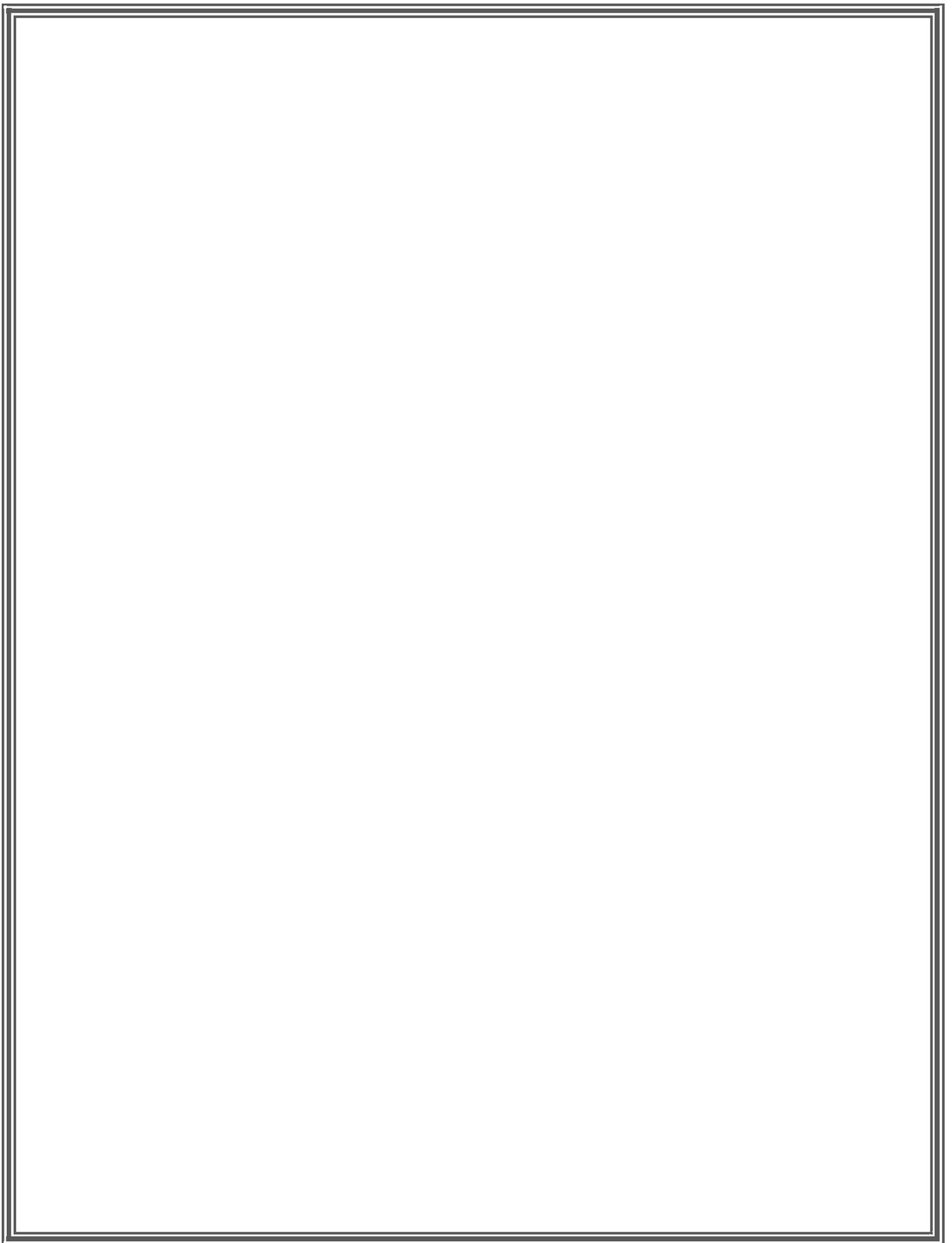
Vacation
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4 EASTER 8:30 & SERVICES 10:30 EASTER EGG HUNT 11:30	5 SCOUTS	6	7 EARLY RISERS 6:00AM WNL	8	9	10
11 WORSHIP ADMIN MEET 3:00PM THE CHOSEN	12 SCOUTS	13	14 EARLY RISERS 6:00AM WNL	15 UMW CIRCLE 10:00AM ZOOM	16	17 FOOD PANTRY 11:00-12:00
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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
WORSHIP THE CHOSEN	SCOUTS	MEN'S MINISTRY 7:00PM	EARLY RISERS 6:00AM WNL			GENESIS FEED 10:00-1:00
25 WORSHIP	26 SCOUTS	27	28 EARLY RISERS 6:00AM WNL	29	30	



FUMC YOUTH

Youth Group

