

GUMC NEWS

Serving God, Serving Community, Connecting Community with God

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Book Club

In-Person Book Club – Wednesday, March 30 at 6:30 @ GUMC

Category – Leadership Development

Book title: #NOTYOURPRINCESS: Voices from Native American Women

Bible Study

Via Zoom, Wednesday's at 10:00am. Check with Pastor Ashlei for information.

Loving and Almighty God, please help me to live every moment with You today and to receive the strength You alone can give.

Treasurer's Report for March

All bill payments are current and your gifts have met those payments. Thank you and God Bless you.

*Dennis,
Treasurer*

Trustee Report

On Wednesday, February 23rd, Rodgers Glass of Battle Creek replaced the entire front glass entrance on the East side of the church. The new doors have a safety locking system and can be unlocked from the inside of the building. The old front had aged to the point of cold air leaking in, seals between the windows had gone bad and the key lock was worn out.

The new entry looks great and will save money on heating bills.

Thanks to everyone who helped before and after the installation.

Chuck, Trustee Chair

Thank You from the Fosdick's

There aren't enough words to express how much Roger loved the Gobles United Methodist church and the wonderful people who are the Church. About this time of year, he would say, "Have we gotten the letter saying we usher in August?" Movies and popcorn, taco nights with ice cream, summer picnics, these were all very special to us, let alone Sunday morning Worship Services. The honor you paid him by attending his Memorial Service means more to us than we can ever adequately convey. We extend our love and appreciation for your cards and kind support, and Christian Love.

Pat, Rob, Shari Fosdick & Family.

Where You Can Help

Food Pantry Needs for this month:

Italian seasoning, garlic powder, ground cinnamon, canned spinach, paper towels, dried navy beans, tortillas, cream of wheat.

Pantry is open the following days in February:

Mar 5, 9 AM to 11:00 for the food pantry

Mar 19, 9 AM to 11:00 for the food pantry

Commodity Distribution for seniors:

Mar 15, 10 AM to 11:15 AM.

Troops Overseas (Pkgs for our troops):

Mar Item(s): - crystal lite (single serving) and playing cards

hotel size shampoo, conditioner, soap and lotion can be donated anytime.

Pocket Prayer Patch – both knit and crochet patterns are available on the bulletin board.

A handmade hat for every care package shipped as part of Operation Holiday Cheer. The goal for 2022 is to collect 300 handmade hats. If you are a knitter or crocheter willing to volunteer your talents, there is an instruction sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

SENIOR SERVICES

Senior Services will be starting up again here at the church on the third Friday of the Month, beginning March 18th at 10:00am

Worship Servant Ministries			
	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>
Liturgist	Dale Siwula	Dee Clement	Susan Barber
Greeters & Hospitality	Deb & Dale Siwula	Bob & Michal Wiseley Susan Barber	Donna Launius Los Wesler

MISSIONS

THANK YOU

We received a thank you from the Department of Health and Human Services of Van Buren County for our support and contribution to the 2021 Christmas Project. “Especially during a time of so much uncertainty and difficulty,” our support was greatly appreciated and admired. We helped make it possible for these children to have a nice Christmas and they thanked us for our kindness and compassion.

UMCOR Sunday is March 27, 2022.

For more than 50 years, United Methodist congregations have been taking part in a special offering, laying the foundation for the [United Methodist Committee on Relief’s ministry](#) of relief and hope. UMCOR’s work of alleviating human suffering around the world includes disaster relief and supplies, disaster risk reduction, health, and humanitarian development.

Gifts to the UMCOR Sunday offering (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) cover UMCOR's costs of doing business. This helps UMCOR keep the promise that 100 percent of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not administrative costs. The UMCOR Sunday offering is the primary funding stream for the administrative costs of UMCOR.

Because of UMCOR Sunday, when you hear about a disaster or humanitarian crisis and you give to UMCOR, you can be assured that one hundred percent of the money you designate goes toward people in need.

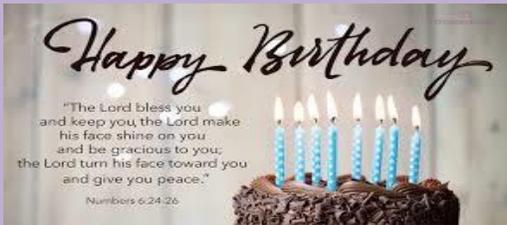
Please prayerfully consider giving what you can to this worthwhile cause. “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40

<i>Be A Prayer Warrior Luke 21:36 Our Prayers for February, God Hears and Answers Prayers</i>		
<i>Virginia Shaw</i>	<i>Environment</i>	<i>Ukraine</i>
<i>Troy Wiggins</i>	<i>Brylee</i>	<i>Karen Hancox</i>
<i>Joanna Rendon</i>	<i>Rob Forrest</i>	

<i>Thank you, Prayer Warriors, Prayers Answered</i>		
<i>Scott</i>	<i>New grandson Rumery family</i>	<i>99 years Lavern Swinehart</i>

<i>Sympathy family of:</i>		
<i>Roger Fosdick</i>	<i>June Hawkins</i>	<i>Milford Popp</i>
<i>Pat Ransom</i>		

<i>Travel Prayers</i>		
<i>Ella & Elijah</i>		



- Mar 4** **Joanne Boyer**
Lois Wesler
- Mar 8** **Barb Roden**
- Mar 9** **Wes Swinehart**
- Mar 17** **Kit Hunsberger**
- Mar 24** **Deb Siwula**
- Mar 25** **Wynne Hurlbut**
Marlene Krajewski
- Mar 28** **Eileen Chaffee**



- Gilberta Evans**
- Dorothy Healy**
- Ruby Hyde**
- Kit Hunsberger**
- Marlene Krajewski**
- John Smith**
- Pat Wesseling**
- Paul Weston**
- MaryAnn Menck**

*Call, Email, Txt,
Check your church directory for
addresses and phone numbers*

UPDATE FROM CARLY HANCOCK

Shortly after arriving back to the Himalayas to staff a short term (6-month school), God made it very clear that this is where I am meant to be.

A prayer of mine has consistently been— “Lord, keep my heart tender towards you so that as you speak there is no other response but ‘yes’ from me.” This yes is my favorite and one I feel most honored giving. I had previously been praying about what the timeline would be in moving, and would find myself worried I would miss out on Him speaking, but the Lord said so clearly “stay.”

Since the day He had told me that this was what He had for me, the enemy has definitely tried to make me believe that I was making the wrong decision. He tried to attack my family, he has tried to scare me into leaving over and over. He even tried to prevent me from even coming— back in October when I injured my knee.

God has given me vision to start, run, and train the women here how to have programs for kids, and how to be teachers. I had thought that I needed to go back to the states, attend a university for four years and then move back out here when I am “fully equipped” but instead God had revealed the beauty of choosing online university and living and growing in relationship here as I pursue a degree. This way I will be able to learn language so that I am able train up women in their own language when I finally graduate university with a degree to my name.

With all of this being said, I believe that I will be here for AT LEAST the next five years—and beyond. To pioneer is no joke, and often doesn’t come quickly. I am honored that God has asked me to partner with Him to create these opportunities. I am beyond honored and blessed to give Jesus my twenties in the mission field.

Once the DTS is completed, I will be moving into a home here, starting language classes, attending art school (because I will be here on a student visa), along with taking classes online to pursue my degree. I will be serving our base in the prayer room— leading worship and prayer meetings. I will be pursuing deep friendships within the community and go on outreaches to many surrounding villages. I will learn more about and fall deeper in love with Jesus- chase after Him with our long-term team, and really just love others the way He does! And this is just the beginning of what ministry will look like here!

As I make this commitment to the Himalayas, I ask that you would pray about partnering with me financially, so that I am able to live here and continue to say yes to Jesus, and continue to dream and pioneer with him!

If this is something you feel led towards, please email me at: carlienoe7@gmail.com . This way I can give you more information and share with you what specifically you are giving towards!

Blessings on blessings!!

Carlie ♥



PSALMS

Top Ten:

1. The text of the book of Psalms was written over a span of about 1000 years.
2. Psalms has the most chapters (150) of any other Bible books.
3. The book of Psalms is quoted 116 times in the New Testament.
4. Some of the psalms (25, 34, and 37, for example) were written as acrostic Hebrew poems. This means that the first letter of each line begins with a successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet. (Think of an English poem beginning with a for the first line, b for the second line, and so forth.)
5. The oldest psalm, scholars have deduced, is Psalm 90. Moses wrote this psalm *before* he rescued the people of God from Egypt.
6. The word *praise* appears in the New International Version of the book of Psalms 211 times.
7. Nearly half of the Old Testament quotes in the New Testament come from the book of Psalms.
8. Of Jesus' seven statements from the cross two of them were quotes from the Psalms (22:1, *Matthew 27:46; 31:5, Luke 23:46*).
9. Here is a list of musical instruments used in worship in the Psalms: harp, lyre, trumpet, cornet, organ, timbrel, cymbals.
10. At least eleven Psalms (2, 8, 16, 22, 45, 69, 72, 89, 110, 118, and 132) are considered messianic, meaning they include prophetic references to the coming Messiah: Jesus.

Who Wrote it?

Unlike most books of the Bible, the book of Psalms has multiple writers. The rundown of writers goes like this: David, 73 psalms; Asaph, 12; sons of Korah, 12. Other possible writers include Hezekiah, Solomon, Moses, Heman, Ethan, Ezra, and Jeremiah. Fifty of the psalms are considered anonymous.

When?

The book of Psalms covers a time period from the days of Moses (c. 1400 BC) to the post-exilic days of Ezra and Nehemiah (c. 400 BC).

Wonders from the Past

The Dead Sea Scrolls, which were discovered in the Qumran region of Israel, include more manuscripts from book of Psalms than from any other Bible book. Fifty-one psalms were found in the Dead Sea Scrolls.