



Easter is nearly here! Since I was a little kid (a long time ago), Easter has been a highlight moment in our family. We were not a particularly expressive Christian family, but the resurrection of Jesus was something we treasured.

I grew up mainly on a small ranch in Southern Oklahoma. On Easter mornings, my Dad would wake my brother and me up, and with my Mom, we would walk to a rock out every day and hear my Dad read the Easter account from the Gospels. One time, one of our mares gave birth to her foal in sight of us—a day I will never forget! We named the horse April!

Easter worship can get confused with all the goings around the day—all of which are fine but not the main event. Easter is the day that the fear of death died. To believe in the resurrection of Jesus, after the cruelty of his death, is to become radically alive ourselves. Whatever our struggles—and we all have struggles—there is a reality for greater in the life to come.

Every Sunday is a little Easter—a celebration of the risen Christ. But Easter Day is the highlight moment for the people of God. I hope many will come—the whole church and many of our friends—to join in the joy of the risen Jesus. This is the Christian's most momentous day. Bring a friend—bring your hopes, even your needs—and rejoice again in certain trust that Jesus was raised from the dead! And bring a friend!



SAPULPA METHODIST

We want to inform you that on January 29th, we became a part of the Global Methodist Church. As members of the GMC, we have received detailed information regarding our rights and responsibilities. As a part of the GMC, our 2024 apportionments will be 4%. Of this, 3% will go to the Heartland Conference and 1% to the GMC.

Currently, we are offering Global Methodist classes every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Heather Graham leads these classes and will run for 12 weeks. We encourage you to join us if you want to learn about the Global Methodist Church. Heather will explain everything related to the GMC, and you will have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

You will also notice changes in our logo online and in the church building. The new logo is shown above. Different variations of the logo will be used depending on the situation. Many groups and teams will also get new logos reflecting our new affiliation with the GMC.

We will change our name, domain, and email addresses in light of our new affiliation. If you face any issues while emailing the church or staff, please check our website for updated information. Trish will oversee the website update and notify everyone about the changes on all our platforms. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

We appreciate your support and look forward to this new chapter in our community.

MORNING MESSAGES

March 3rd	John 2:13-22	“A Future Promise”
March 10th	John 3:14-21	“Living into the Light”
March 17th	John 12:20-33	“The End and the Beginning”
March 24th	Mark 11:1-11	“Hosanna!”
March 31st	Mark 16:1-8	“He is Risen!”

Prayer Shawl



We'd love for you to join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month, starting in this month, for a crafting and fellowship session. You can bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, or hand-tying skills and make any blanket for our prayer shawl ministry. We're looking for a sewing machine, material, and yarn donations. Call or text our coordinator, Cheryl Cox, at (918) 409-7997 for more information.



Don't forget to swing by the Narthex on the last Sunday of every month for some tasty donuts, delicious coffee, and great fellowship. It's the perfect way to kick off your Sunday morning. Can't wait to see you there!

Dinner & Auction Fundraiser

We have some exciting news to share with you! We are thrilled to announce that the Dinner and Auction Fundraiser has been scheduled for June 1st. To ensure a successful event, we are looking for volunteers to join us in planning and executing this special occasion. We would love to have you be a part of it! The first planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 11th, at 6:30 pm. We appreciate your willingness to help and look forward to seeing you there.



Funeral Meal Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for the bereavement dinners. The bereaved families may choose to have a meal for their guests following the funeral. Willie and Juanita are asking for help from volunteers to make specific dishes for funeral meals. Your help will be highly appreciated by the families who have lost a loved one, as it will ease the burden of preparing for the funeral. If you want to volunteer, please get in touch with Willie Garvin (918) 224-2485 or Juanita Johnson (539) 333-1011.

Change the World

"We want every Jewish person to know that God's plan for them includes Jesus the Messiah." That is the first thing you will read when you look at Jewish Voice Ministries' website. And that is why we have chosen to include them as one of the ministries we want to support with our "Change the World" offering this Lent season. We also want to support the local ministry of Shoulder2Shoulder and Rev. Fuxia Wang in her ministry, in addition to our church's Missions efforts and Blessing Box. As with the "Christ In the Manger" offering, this is an invitation to show the love of Christ through this special offering over and above our pledges and regular contributions. Thank you so much for your loving support!



Please help us in this effort to clean up and tidy up our church building to make it even more inviting! There are many opportunities for everyone to be involved in cleaning, organizing, rearranging, etc., so please come join us on **Saturday, March 2nd, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**. Any amount of time you can give to

your church will be greatly appreciated! There will be coffee, tea and doughnuts to get us started, snacks throughout the day, and lunch for those that will be there at that time. In addition, as a thank you for your service, you will have a chance at winning one of two "participation prizes" of dinner at a local restaurant. So, roll up your sleeves and bring your tools! Blessings!

March BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Sarah McCormick
- 06 Donna Ogletree
- 10 Susie Romine
- 12 Willie Garvin
- 13 Andy Tuttle, Chuck Bates
- 14 Joyce Rogers
- 15 Kary Wideman, Neva Wingard
- 17 Matthew Sumner, Robert McCormick
- 19 Carleen Weisz
- 21 James Morsey, Thaddeus Petersen
- 22 Michelle Sumner
- 23 Emily Wideman
- 24 Dennis Wadley, Katy Folks
- 27 Cleo Gish
- 31 Bill Carver

Prayer REQUESTS

- Ivan Taylor (Health)
- Glenda Ragsdale (family of Marjory Taylor—Cancer)
- Schneider Family (discernment for a home)
- Mary Nell (Carolyn Nicholson's Sister—Cancer)
- Jennifer Lindsey's niece—husband passed
- Judy James (health)
- Tonya (Friend of Woolery's—burn victim—bad turn in health)
- Emily (DIL of Woolery's—health)
- David Rasmussen (C. Cole's family—Cancer)
- Celia Rasmussen (C. Coles Sister—health)
- Jane Carver (Emma Carver—health)
- Joe Bill (Emma Carver—health)

PLEASE INFORM US OF PRAYER REQUESTS:

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March 3, 2024
from 8:30 AM to Noon
in the Family Life Center
Walk-ins Welcome!!

March 6th

Taco Salad Beef or Chicken with fixings, Tres Leches

March 13th

Smothered Steak, Mash Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Dessert

March 20th

Spring Break—No Dinner

March 27th

Pork Sliders, Cole Slaw, Desserts



FOR THE RECORD

Participation in Worship

02/04 Service: 98	Online: 17
02/11 Service: 111	Online: 18
02/18 Service: 102	Online: N/A
02/25 Service: 101	Online: N/A

January Financial Update

Income:	
Unrestricted:	\$ 19,192.96
Revenues:	\$ 750.50
Restricted:	\$ 0
Total Income:	\$ 19,943.46
Expense:	\$ 33,477.40
Net Income:	\$(13,533.94)



Hey, Sapulpa Methodist!

We are excited for Spring to get here and to soon celebrate Easter Sunday at the end of this month. Here is a quick look into what the Youth have going on all March...

Wednesday Nights: Join us every Wednesday evening from 5:30-7:00 pm for a Church dinner and Youth bible study. Students can expect fun games, engaging study, and great fellowship.

Sunday Mornings: Join us at 9:30 am every Sunday in the upstairs Youth classrooms above the Family Life Center for games and bible study.

Upcoming Activities: This year, March is a hectic month because of Spring Break and Easter happening back-to-back weeks. Please pray as Youth Students and Leaders embark on a Ski Trip up to Winter Park, Colorado, from Saturday the 16th through Thursday the 21st.

We have a few activities in store for Holy Week. First, the whole church is having a day of cleaning and organizing on Saturday the 2nd. If you are available any time that day, stop by to help us freshen up the church building. Our Community Egg Hunt will be on Saturday the 23rd. We will start with a Sensory Hour at 11:00 am, and then the main Egg Hunt will begin at 1:00 pm. We also have an excellent opportunity to serve as we return to Allen Bowden School for an Egg Hunt on Friday the 29th. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sheri or me. Finally, we are making a big push to pack the house for Easter Sunday, so invite all your friends and family to our Sunday service at 10:45 am.

God Bless,

Youth Director Cabe Killingsworth



Women in God's Service

It's Rummage Sale Time!!!!

It is time again for the WINGS Rummage Sale. The sale dates will be April 19th & 20th. We ask that nothing be delivered to the church BEFORE April 14th or AFTER Thursday afternoon on April 18th. We will accept items from April 15th at 9:00 through April 18th at noon! The Family Life Center will be open daily from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. If those times don't work, please talk to Christy Cole or Jennifer Lindsey to arrange a later delivery time. We do not have anyone to pick up stuff from your house, so please arrange for someone to get your treasures to the church. Please do not bring TVs to the sale. The Women must pay \$25.00 for every TV we take to be recycled after the sale.

WINGS appreciates any help you can give us in setting up the sale. Even if you have an hour to help, it is so appreciated. Please look around your Sunday School classroom and donate unused items to the Rummage Sale.

Please join one of our Circle meetings. Each Circle has a Devotion and a Lesson and is a great time to meet other women, share the Word of God, and learn how WINGS works in our community. For answers about either Circle, please visit Kay Arbenz for Joy Circle and Vicki St. Clair for the Esther Circle or Ann Cornelius, Membership Officer.

The new WINGS directories are ready. If you did not get one, please let Christy Cole or Kay Arbenz know, and we will get a directory for you.

Upcoming Events:

March 7th	Joy Circle	Parlor	6:30 PM
March 14th	Esther Circle	Parlor	9:30 AM
March 17th	WINGS Sunday		
April 4th	Executive Meeting	Library	10:00 AM
April 4th	Joy Circle	Parlor	6:30 PM
April 11th	Esther Circle	Parlor	9:30 AM

Methodist Men

We want to invite all the men to join us for our monthly Methodist Men's group meeting. The meeting will commence at **noon on Thursday, March 7th**, in the Fellowship Hall. The Methodist Men meeting is an excellent opportunity for all the men to come together, enjoy fellowship, and participate in a devotion session. Ken Henderson has generously offered to provide us with lunch. All men are welcome, and we look forward to seeing you there!



Our Flock Rocks!





Hey Everyone!

We have some egg-citing things planned for this Easter season, and there are many opportunities to share God's love and serve our community!

We are hosting our 2nd Annual Egg Hunt on March 23rd. Sensory Egg Hunt is at 11 am, and Community Egg Hunt is at 1 pm. We could use help stuffing eggs, setting up and tearing down, and welcoming families who attend.

Palm Sunday: March 24th

We will participate in the Palm procession during worship and pass out Palm Sundae kits to families. This includes Holy Week devotionals and activities (and, of course, ice cream!)

Maundy Thursday: March 28th

G.L.O.W. egg display -Shining God's Light in Our World

Egg Hunt at Allen Bowden School: We will be hosting our 3rd annual Egg hunt at Allen Bowden on Friday, March 29th, at 1 pm. We provide an egg hunt and activities for preK-3rd grade. We would love for you to join us!

Easter Sunday Celebration: the Great Exchange! We learn how Jesus takes our emptiness and exchanges it for life in fullness with Him!

Please contact Sheri or Cabe for more details! ~ You are loved. ~ Ms. Sheri



Mission Update

Your support of our missions efforts and our Blessing Box enabled us to give out 10 Christmas Dinner boxes last December and also reach the "Souper Bowl!" challenge goal in support of stocking the Blessing Box. Many thanks!

We have invited Messianic Rabbi Jack Zimmerman back to lead us in the Passover Seder meal Thursday, April 25th, at 5:30 PM. We are very excited to have him coming back! "I attended that one other time", you may say. We celebrate other seasons such as Christmas more than once. We can celebrate the deliverance of God's people from captivity and bondage in Egypt more than once!! That is our Biblical history, too!! And Rabbi Jack brings it to life so well, and shows us how Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of all things! We hope you will join us that evening in celebration and fellowship! Stay tuned for more details.

Blessings!
Heather Graham



Each One - Bring One

Share the joy of Easter with your friends, family, colleagues by inviting them to our Easter Service on March 31st. Starting next week, you can grab some invitations from the narthex to pass on the essential details about our service time and location. On the big day, we will serve donuts and coffee in the narthex, and we have prepared goody bags for all our first-time visitors to make their experience extra special! Our Easter Service will be exceptional, featuring beautiful music and an uplifting message about the resurrection.