



Epworth UMC

Our Mission...

- Welcoming All
- Growing Spiritually
- Serving God by Serving Others
- Giving Hope
- Come Belong!

Our Vision ...

Letting everyone know God's Love saves us.



FYI APRIL

Happy Easter, beloved!

The greatest story ever told, the greatest event in history, the most important moment in the lives of those who knew Jesus and (though they wouldn't have really understood that at the time) of every one of us who has known Jesus since then...

And they tell no one.

After all of the many times Jesus has told people to keep miracles, signs, and knowledge about him as the Messiah quiet, and they tell everyone anyway, now an angel of the Lord tells the women who arrive at the empty tomb Easter morning to **tell!** And they don't. They are supposed to tell Jesus' disciples that he has risen, but instead "they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." (Mark 16:8)

But God is not bound by human fear, or human mistakes, or human sin, or anything else in all creation. God and God's Word and the miraculously life-restoring power of the Cross burst forth in a flood over all the earth. Thanks to those who were not afraid, who saw the truth, and felt the truth, and were changed by it in ways that would not allow them to keep silent, we too have known the truth and been set free.

So, how will we live? Will we let the river of life that the prophets spoke of and Jesus promised gush forth in us, to eternal life? Will we recognize that eternal life means not just heaven but a fullness of life *right now* and let God fill us with real and lasting joy? Will we let ourselves be unbound by fears, hurts, and angers, and be ridiculously, outrageously, foolishly alive? Will we laugh deeply, forgive freely, love extravagantly, sing and pray and dance and work and play like those who have utterly lost our minds and gained our lives?

I hope so. Because life in Christ is the power of God, and the power of God will save the world. So say it with me now, not just with your words but with every particle of your being:

Christ is risen!

CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!! HALLELUIA!!

Pastor Dawn

JUSTSERVE.ORG

Volunteer Opportunities
are Just a Click Away!

- ✔ Local Service Opportunities
- ✔ Choose Any Project You Want
- ✔ Anyone Can Serve

Community Service Week

Sponsored by JustServe, an organization that seeks to bring churches and communities together through volunteering, Community Service Week is April 16-21 here in Fallon! They have asked us to provide some project ideas for volunteers to do here at the church, and we would also like to put together a team to go do something good here in our community. So, call the church office if you'd like to participate! We can have a lot of fun with this. And we can make matching tshirts! :-). For more info, check out the JustServe website at www.justserve.org.

It's time for a new church photo directory!

Lifetouch Photography will be here April 18-21 to take photos of all of us. You get a free 8x10 photo out of it, and a free directory! If you love your photos and decide to buy more, the church gets 5% of your purchase price as a donation.

Isn't that great?

Sign up by clicking the link on our Facebook page, on our website, or by filling in your chosen time on the paper sign up sheets in the entryway. If you have any questions, call Carolyn Parrish in the church office.

PS Please, please, even if you really don't want to get your picture taken, do it for us!! Children, grandchildren, pets, and props are welcome!

Adult Groups and Classes

Adult studies take place on Sundays and during the week, and new groups crop up all the time.

Beginning after Easter:

Sunday 10:30am: The Book of Esther, Wolf Center

Sunday 10:30am: "Breakaway" DVD and discussion, Good News Room

Sunday 10:30am: "Follow" by Andy Stanley, Conference Room

Monday 3:30pm: "On the Anvil" by Max Lucado, women's study, Good News Room

Thursday 5:30pm: "Faith in the News", Pub Theology, Sandwinds Restaurant

Second Saturday 8am: "Across the Room" book discussion and breakfast, men's group, Fireside Room



Men's Walk
April 26th-29th

Women's Walk
May 3rd-6th

What a gift to give yourself or a friend. If you are ready for a powerful renewal of your faith, join us!

Call the church office to reserve your spot.

Application deadline is April 6.

Sophia Jeffs has been chosen by administrators and teachers at her school to attend a trip across the country to tour Washington D.C. and New York in April 2019! The school has set up an account where you can donate to help offset the cost that her family has to pay to send her on this trip. You can either give cash or a check to Laura Butcher in the office or at church on Sunday, or go online using the link below to donate directly to her account. The link is also on our website! Just click "give."

<https://personal.efexploreamerica.com/secure/make-donation.aspx?>

Climbing the Musical Scale.

DO-Do not worry over things that may never happen, and even if they happen, worry will not help. Do count your blessings before you count cares.

RE- Radiate good will and spirit of benevolence . Like laughter, it makes yourself, as well as others feel better.

ME- Mete kindness, understanding , tolerance and forgiveness generously. You reap as you mete.

FA- Far- reaching are the therapeutic benefits of spiritual thinking. You become as you habitually think. Resentment, hatred, spite, envy and vengeance pack radioactive fallout that gnaws at your vitals. They are self consuming.

SO- Sow the seeds of love, friendship, empathy and helpfulness. These hardy seeds take root in the crustiest ground.

LA- Laugh at yourself now and then. You who can laugh at yourself are less apt to be at war with yourself. Laugh at yourself, even if you don't feel like laughing.

TI-Teach yourself awareness and appreciation of all the wonders of nature. Thank God daily for the precious gift of life. Genuine gratitude and discontent are never found together.

DO-Do not expect someone else to open the door to happiness for you. You must do it yourself. You alone have the key. (ha ha) Turn it. Or hit it? funny.

Submitted by Jackie Warburton, Church Choir Director. Author Unknown.

Your Hospitality team always appreciates your help with setting up and cleaning up Sunday morning fellowship. Please consider offering your time and energy as well as your snack-prep skills, and look for the sign-up sheet!

Questions regarding our Hospitality ministry can be sent to Donna Strickland at djst@ccomm.net.

4/1	Diana Haering
4/1	Jim Hertz
4/1	Joseph Springs
4/2	Elena Wolf
4/4	Alyson Chrisco
4/4	Kyle Dugan
4/7	David Clodius
4/8	Dana Endacott
4/9	Jake Coval
4/11	MaryEllyn Jacobsen
4/12	Katherine Jones
4/12	Sydnee Weddell
4/15	Monica Washburn
4/17	Dyllon Renfro
4/18	Brennan Lewis
4/21	Joanna Brown
4/21	Carlie Lewis
4/21	Colton Oviatt
4/22	Gregory Holmes
4/24	Meghan Hockenberry
4/24	Ashlee McGarity
4/24	Nadine Miller
4/24	Michelle Tiede
4/27	Michele Berney
4/29	Deanna Brown
4/30	Wilva Blue

Happy Birthday!

Do you have questions about where you can help serve in the life of Epworth? These people can help you...

Rev Dawn Blundell
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Jeanie Fahl

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Doug Coval

Lay Leader

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Fallon Daily Bread

A hot meal served every Monday and every Thursday @ 5:15 pm.
Barbara or Ron Evans 423-2650 or Kathy Fraker 867-3095

Easter Dinner on April 2
Methodist Night on April 16th

We are always thankful for dessert donations!

If you would like to receive the Fallon Daily Bread newsletter, please call Kathy Fraker, at the number above.

Each Monday **10am-1pm** in Wolf Center
Serving all that come to our doors
seeking a few extra items for their table.
Donations are always welcome!



Each Sunday in the bulletin you can find an item or category of items that would be especially helpful or appealing to the clients of Epworth Community Food Pantry. These items range from condiments to breakfast cereals, spaghetti to canned fruit and meat. In many cases, this is the only food these families have access to. They are always grateful for the food they receive.

Weekly Events and Meetings at Epworth UMC

Sundays	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays
9am Worship Service, Sanctuary	10am-1pm Food Pantry, Wolf Ctr	6:30pm Boy Scout Troop #1776, Wolf Center	10:30am Alzheimers & Dementia Support, Homestead (2 nd & 4 th Wednesdays)	5pm-6:30pm Pub Theology w/Pastor Dawn, Sandwinds	8am T.O.P.S., Fireside Room	7:00pm AA meeting every second Saturday
10:15am Fellowship and Coffee, Fireside Room	3:30pm Women's Study Group, Good News Room	7pm Lahontan Valley Concert Choir, Fireside Room		5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center		
10:30am Sunday School, all ages	5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center			7pm Joyful Noise Choir, Sanctuary		
1:15pm Worship Service @ Homestead, 365 W. A St.						

Epworth United Methodist Church
280 E. Stillwater Ave
Fallon, NV 89406
Phone 423-4714

Church Office Hours
Monday & Tuesday
9am to 3pm



UMW empowers and improves the lives of women, youth, and children around the world. Join us! General meetings are on the first Thursday of each month, with the Executive meetings coming the Tuesday immediately before the General Meeting.

Boy Scout Troop 1776

Steve Cathey, Scout Master: 217-2783,
Steve Endacott, Charter Rep: 427-5356

Wolf Center is the meeting place for Troop 1776 (often called Troop Independence). They meet every Tuesday evening at 6:30 for training, service, fellowship and leadership through the BSA. If you have a boy aged 11 to 17 that would like to join the Boy Scouts call either Steve Cathey or Steve Endacott at the numbers above.



April Events and Meetings

4/4 History Meeting—10am Conference Room	4/14 Men's Breakfast—8am Fireside Room
4/5 UMW General Meeting—1-2:30pm Fireside Room	4/14 Worship Meeting—9:30-10:30am Sanctuary
4/6—4/7 Emmaus Team Meeting — Sanctuary, Fireside , and classrooms	4/14 AA—7pm Wolf Center
4/6-4/7 Craft Fair & Rummage Sale — Wolf Center	
4/10 Board of Trustees Meeting—5:30-6:30pm Conference Room	

Worship Servants

Throughout this page you will find information on ways that you can be a Worship Servant, or someone who is active in presenting worship and helping to enhance the worship environment. If you would like to learn about leading in worship (by serving Holy Communion, reading scripture, leading the Word for the Young at Heart, lighting the candles, or more, please contact Mary Lou Grumstrup at 423-3329.

4/1	Steve Russell	Worship Leaders
4/8	Barbara McGarity	
4/15	Mary Lou	
4/22	Eleanor Lockwood	
4/29	Doug Coval	
To be a worship leader please contact Mary Lou at 423-3329		

Epworth's Joyful Noise Choir and Praise Team are filled with some of Epworth's many talented musicians. If you would like to participate in either of these performing groups, you are more than welcome! Please see our Music Director, Jackie Warburton, if you would like to join or if you have any questions.

April 1 Communion Servers

Chris Russell

- 4/1 Margaret Knox
- 4/8 Pastor Dawn
- 4/15 Mary Lou
- 4/22 TBA
- 4/29 Steve Russell

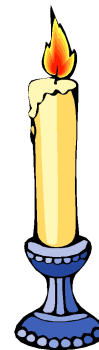


A very special thank you to all who have led the Word for the Young at Heart. Our children are a blessing and it's our responsibility to lead them in the way of His light. This is but one way we can do that.

If you feel God leading you to serve as a part of this ministry, please call Barbara McGarity at 217-5736.

ACOLYTES THIS MONTH

- 4/1 Allison Frost
- 4/8 Sophia Jeffs
- 4/15 Tim Bennett
- 4/22 Kenny Coval
- 4/29 Connor Butcher & Levia Coval



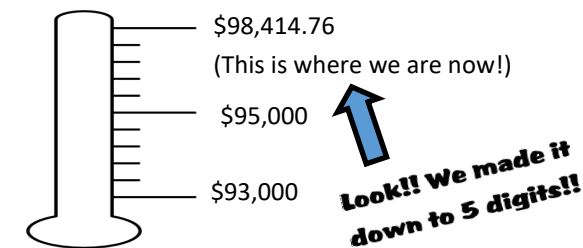
Being an acolyte means that you have the honor of bringing the light of Jesus Christ in to the sanctuary to begin our worship. Each Sunday we will have one acolyte.

If you would like to participate as an acolyte, please call the church office at 423-4714 or make a note on your welcome card.

From Your Finance Ministry Team

Thank you to every member and churchgoer for your prayers and financial donations to help us pay our bills, salaries, and the mortgage on the Wolf Center. God Bless you! Everything we do here is thanks to your support.

The thermometer below shows our progress in paying down our mortgage, thanks to special donations toward the principal. Next to that is where we are year-to-date with everything else, just FYI. Because of when we publish the newsletter, these numbers will always be a few weeks behind, but still hopefully helpful and informative. Thank you for your generosity!



By the Numbers

Income Year to Date (Jan-Feb)	\$23,678
Expenses YtD (Jan-Feb)	\$27,235

We had a few once-per-year expenses in these first months which have put us a bit behind. To account for these and the typical yearly increases in things like utilities, we do need to raise about 5-10% more this year for the general fund (that is, separate from the building fund, mortgage, or other special things). It sounds like a lot, but that's only \$10-\$20 extra per month from each adult! If you are able, we hope you will consider increasing your giving. If you are not able, please don't worry! As the Bible tells us, each gives what they can, and God does the rest. Amen!

Nursery Help!

The nursery needs your help! Every Sunday morning during service, the Church provides child care for children who aren't quite ready to sit in the sanctuary through the whole service. Safe sanctuary guidelines state that we need two adults in the nursery with the children at all times. While we try to uphold this, it has not been easy. That's why I need your help! If you would like to sign up to help entertain the little ones from 8:45am-10:45am-ish, please call the church office at 775-423-4714, please call me, Angelina Irby, at 775-294-5552, or put your name on the sign up sheet that will be passed around on Sunday. Thank you so much!



Lots of love, Angelina Irby — Nursery Attendant



at the Homestead Care Community

365 West A Street, Fallon

Join us for Worship @ 1:15 to sing, pray, and love and care for the residents