



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.



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2018**

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Hello friends!

It is a glorious green and growing summer so far in beautiful Fallon, Nevada. I love seeing the corn and alfalfa growing, the Farmer's Market getting more and more full downtown on Fridays, and all of the unique summer-specific ways that we can be the church. Like hosting our very first Interfaith BBQ/Water Balloon Volleyball game at Oats Park, which was so well-received that I can't wait to do it again. Like hosting our first Vacation Bible School in years, which was such a joy to do, and for which I am still tremendously thankful to our volunteers. Like acting like goofballs on our July 4 parade float, just to spread a little love to friend and stranger. And like attending Annual Conference every year in mid-June, to pray and worship and dream and plan with United Methodists all over northern Nevada and northern California...and, by extension, with all of those United Methodists who are holding their own Annual Conferences all over the world this time of year.

It's powerful, all of this. On paper, maybe it doesn't sound like it. But in the experience, you feel the Holy Spirit move.

In worship recently, we talked a little bit about the meaning of shalom. It is usually translated "peace," but it means much more than that. It means wholeness, healing, harmony, tranquility...a bringing together of broken parts, a meeting of opposites even. Much bigger than peace in the way we think of it, shalom is what fills the Kingdom of God and makes it beautiful. Shalom is what removes walls, and gathers all peoples together. Shalom is not just the absence of conflict; it is the presence of God.

Shalom is what God promised us through the prophet Isaiah and later fulfilled in Jesus Christ, where we read: "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." *Is 9:6*

It's what Jesus was describing in the parable of the Prodigal Son, of the Good Samaritan, of the house built on rock.

It's what Jesus was living into, and leading us into, when he reached out to the sinner and the outcast. When he promised comfort to the mourning, humility to the rich and powerful, and the Kingdom to the poor and the meek. When he fed the thousands with spiritual food, and taught them to feed each other. When he healed the leper and the blind man and the bleeding woman. When he turned over the tables in the temple. When he forgave those who sought to destroy him.

It's what Jesus promised the Holy Spirit would bring, after his death and resurrection: "But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." *John 14:26-27*

It's what the disciples received when that promise was fulfilled at Pentecost, that gave them the courage to proclaim what they knew about Jesus to a crowd of foreigners; it's what the listeners received, that allowed them to hear and understand. It's what built the church from that moment, and what builds it still. Shalom.

It is an incredibly powerful thing. The stuff of Good News. And we find it whenever we let down our guard and love each other in the name of Jesus Christ. Which is why a simple game of water balloon volleyball with strangers from other faiths can be world-changing: because "whenever two or three or more are gathered in my name, there I am among them." *Mt 18:20*

It's the little things that change the world, beloved.

In the amazing grace of God,

Pastor Dawn

Adult Groups and Classes

Adult studies take place on Sundays and during the week, and new groups crop up all the time. Most of our groups are on summer hiatus, but you are more than welcome to drop in at any of the classes below!

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

Tuesdays, 6:00pm: "Breaking the Code: A Study of the Book of Revelation", Good News Room

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

United Methodist Women: We will not be meeting in July or August. Meetings will resume meeting on September 6th at 1pm. Keep your eyes out for updates!

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."

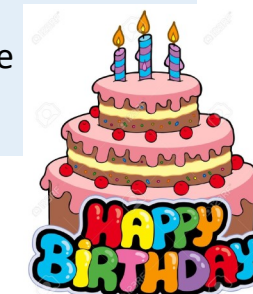
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Did you know?

Aubrey Kaiser was born in Fallon, just one block west of our present day church. He lived his entire life in Fallon, with the exception of his time serving in the army in WWII. He once said his experiences in WWII brought him closer to God. He worked in several jobs around Fallon during the great depression,, even occasionally helping his father, who was the local "undertaker" at the time. After the war, he worked for the City of Fallon, and finally for the Postal Service as a letter carrier for over 30 years, starting when mail men walked for miles carrying the mail in a large bag slung over their shoulder, to the time they started driving the present little trucks for delivery. Aubrey attended the Methodist Church all his life, joining at the age of 12. He served this church in many ways, from the Men's Group to usher, until his death at age 85 in 1997.

7/1	Mike Berney
7/1	Debi Kissick
7/2	Dorothy Austin
7/2	Dustin Stritenberger
7/3	Zackery Shpton
7/5	Hayden Brown
7/7	Kaydee Keller
7/8	Barbara Evans
7/8	Victoria Plants
7/8	Norma Richey
7/8	Jackie Warburton
7/9	Grant Mills
7/12	Will Mattly
7/12	Shirley McDonald
7/13	Ariel Endacott
7/13	MaryLouise Erb
7/13	Faye Tewell
7/16	Olivia Dillon
7/16	Darrell Dugan
7/16	Alecea Esposito
7/16	Aaron Fraker
7/16	Shayda Lofthouse
7/16	Dan Wolf
7/17	Kelsey Jones
7/19	Emma Marciniak
7/22	Garrett James Rokosz
7/23	Kylie June
7/23	Jaime Lawrence
7/23	Jerry Noonkester
7/24	Laura Ivey
7/27	William Hughes
7/29	Miles Kelley
7/31	John Easter
7/31	Cheyenne Goldsworthy
7/31	Wilma Miers
7/31	Melanie Pearce

Happy Birthday!



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

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Big thank you to the Butcher family for donating a super fun play tent for the kids in the nursery!



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)	5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center	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 (until June 17)					
10:30am Sunday School	5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center					
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

FALLON DAILY BREAD ORGANIZERS RECEIVE AWARD!

FDB is a free community meal every Monday and Thursday at 5:15pm

Congratulations to Kathy Fraker, Ron Evans, and Barbara Evans who received a Heart of the Community award from the Churchill Community Coalition, for their work with Fallon Daily Bread. Well done!



Methodist Night July 16!

Volunteer to cook, clean up, or serve.



UMW empowers and improves the lives of women, youth, and children around the world. We are taking a break for the summer, and will resume meeting on September 6, 2018 at 1pm. Stay tuned for news and happenings! We will return with vim and vigor.

Submitted by Judy Pritchard

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!



July Events and Meetings

7/10—Board of Trustees Meeting: 5:30pm Conference Room	7/25—Church Council Meeting—7pm Wolf Center
7/14—Men's Breakfast: 8am Fireside Room	7/27 — Bike for MS: 6:00pm — 8:00am, Wolf Center
7/14—Worship Meeting: 9:30-10:30am Sanctuary	7/27—7/29 — Family Camp at Camp Kelly
7/14—AA: 7:00pm, Wolf Center	
7/14 — Bike and Build 6:00pm—8:00am, Wolf Center	

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.

7/1	Steve Fraker	Worship Leaders
7/8	Steve Russell	
7/15	Kenny Coval	
7/22	Judy Pritchard	
7/29	Jim Foster	
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.

7/1	Jim Foster
7/8	Pastor Dawn
7/15	Mary Lou
7/22	Surprise
7/29	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.

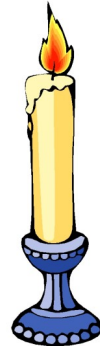
If you feel God leading you to serve as a part of this ministry, please Call Barbara McGarity at 217-5736.

ACOLYTES THIS MONTH

7/1	Allison Frost
7/8	Tim Bennett
7/15	Sophia Jeffs
7/22	Kenny Coval
7/29	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.




What? Camping and fun activities for all ages such as bible studies, fellowship, and time to enjoy nature!

When? July 27th-29th

Where? Camp Kelly, out towards Austin, NV

How much? \$5 for food and we have been asked to donate anywhere from \$5-\$15 for camp maintenance and upkeep!



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