




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.

The Epworth UMC logo, a stylized red flame/leaf with a black cross, is positioned to the right of the mission and vision statements.

**Hello friends! I have some food for thought.
Did You Ever Think About.....**

I periodically think about an abstract question or situation which does not make a whit if it does not have an answer. Last month's musing was, "what do you use to clean a bar of soap." I'm still pondering the "big foot" question in light of all the TV shows surrounding this topic; however, I must admit I have never tuned in on one.

The last few days I have been thinking about the church and the many activities that abound in this place. There is a function and place for anyone. What got me to this point was memories about high school and schools of higher learning. Many of us participated in some sort of organized activity like sports, music, debate team, theater, journalism/photography club, etc. The fact is almost all of us, after leaving school, will never again be able to be the star on stage or the gridiron. We put that trumpet in the case, hang up the cleats and only have those memories of days gone by.

The published stats bear out this reality: of the 550,000 high school youths playing high school basketball, only 1% will ever play NCAA basketball. Of the 73,600 college football players, about 250 will be drafted by the pros and of that only 1.5% will make the pro team roster. As far as the participants in the school band, orchestra and choir, the chance of succeeding professionally would be several places to the right of the decimal.

All is not lost. This church has something for everyone, without any pre-requisites, who wishes to be involved. If you like music, the choir offers an opportunity to feed the soul and do something you enjoy. I have heard some people say, "I would, but I can't sing or I don't know music" I usually answer, "so?" The difference between school and now is at the time we got up in front of several hundred people. The choir only sings to an audience of one and I don't think God is judging anyone on their abilities.

There are other avenues of service. I remember several years there was a bulletin folding team which came in every week. There were doughnuts and coffee. The camaraderie and spiritual uplifting was priceless. If you like to cook, Fallon Daily Bread may be your creative outlet. If you want to be on a team there are many which you can get involved. Evangelism, Levites, hospitality, food pantry, UMW to name a few.

The sense of having a purpose is very rewarding, especially when your head hits the pillow at night. I feel God may have a plan for each of us but we must determine how best to seek service. I don't know how to do that but I know if you start something, at least give it a try. Only going to one choir practice or meeting will not be enough experience to find out if that is your calling. I will be up front and say it does take some effort to try something. I am involved in some activities and I admit some days I go home and I am ready to quit. After a short time I find myself fully motivated and looking forward to the next event.

It is worth considering that the main premise of Alcoholics Anonymous is helping others and be of service. Our Big Book is not so remote from that concept: "love your neighbor."

I will end by saying "never grow weary of doing good."

Anonymous

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.

Thanks to you, we are able to fully fund all of our ministries, and special donations have allowed us to purchase an excellent new sound system with assisted-listening devices, AND pay our mortgage down to \$82,000! Praise God, and thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!

Regular monthly giving has fallen a bit behind, though, and so we haven't paid our tithe to the Conference in a few months. If you are able to increase your giving a bit, it would be greatly appreciated. Our Conference tithe is an important obligation, which pays the salaries of our Bishop and District Superintendent, provides education and training opportunities, funds the planting of new churches and helps churches that are struggling, pays for Annual Conference, provides counseling and spiritual support for clergy and laity, and much more. A portion of our Conference tithe also goes toward the United Methodist Church's worldwide ministries, including Africa University, UMCOR, and evangelism around the world. Every United Methodist Church is asked to tithe 10% of our income to support all of this; Epworth's tithe, then, is about \$13,000 per year, or just over \$1000 per month. Blessings, and may God bless you abundantly! :-)



Church Camp at Camp Kelly was beautiful!

It is a beautiful desert spot just outside of Austin, with gorgeous views, butterflies and wildflowers, a little spring creek that runs through the camp, and a stunning night sky. Camp Kelly is available for us to use all year long! There are two cabins with 8 bunks apiece, 10 tent spaces, and 5 RV spaces. If you'd ever like to use the camp, and fill your spirit with its serene beauty, just call the church office and we will make the arrangements.

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?poId=D3AB963D>

8/1	Ronald Zalme
8/2	Sophia Jeffs
8/2	Madison Tiede
8/4	Molly Eberhart
8/4	Jim Foster
8/5	Robert McCallum
8/6	Michael Eberhart
8/6	Deborah Mills
8/7	Brody Hughes
8/7	Charleen Lee
8/8	John Miller
8/8	Frederick Russo
8/10	Ann Rapp
8/10	Steve Russell
8/11	Jennifer Buckmaster
8/11	Joshua Springs
8/12	Sylvia Fausey
8/12	Barbara Hertz
8/13	Charles Burgess
8/14	Sue Ansotegui
8/19	Donna Strickland
8/20	Tim Bennett
8/20	Logan Butcher
8/20	Ayden Butcher
8/20	Laurie Currie
8/20	Gillian Elizabeth Tripp
8/23	Charlene Currie
8/25	Christine Mori
8/26	Carol Roeder
8/27	Stacia Stone
8/28	Ralph Mills
8/29	Kathleen Knudtsen
8/30	Susan Hurd
8/31	Jerry Ivey

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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FALLON DAILY BREAD

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

Methodist Night August 20th!
Volunteer to cook, clean up, or serve.

We are always thankful for dessert donations!

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry,
please call Ron & Barbara Evans 423-2650 or
Kathy Fraker 867-3095

733 meals served in July!



United
Methodist
Women

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

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!



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.

Weekly Events and Meetings at Epworth UMC

Sundays	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays
9am Worship Service, Sanctuary	10am-1pm Food Pantry, Wolf Center	5:00pm Codependents Anonymous, Good News Room	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	5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center	6:00pm Breaking the Code: A Study of the Book of Revelation				
1:15pm Worship Service @ Homestead, 365 W. A St.		6:30pm Boy Scout Troop #1776, Wolf Center				

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

Church Office Hours
Monday & Tuesday
9am to 3pm

August Events and Meetings

8/11 —Worship Meeting: 9:30-10:30am, Fireside Room	8/18 — 4:00pm Methodist Night at Fallon Daily Bread
8/11 —AA: 7:00pm, Wolf Center	8/18 — 9:30am Worship Meeting, Fireside Room
8/12 — Church in the Park: 9:00am at Oats Park, with a breakfast pot luck beginning at 8:00am	8/19 — 10:30am Christian Education Meeting, Conference Room
	8/22—Church Council Meeting—7pm 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.

8/5	Maggie Neidigh	Worship Leaders
8/12	Barbie Hertz	
8/19	MaryLou Grumstrup	
8/26	Debbie Moorhead	
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.

- 8/5 Barbie Hertz
- 8/12 Pastor Dawn
- 8/19 MaryLou Grumstrup
- 8/28



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

- 8/5 Sophia Jeffs
- 8/12 Church in the Park!
- 8/19 Tim Bennett
- 8/26 Kenny 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.



The nursery would love your help with a bit of cleaning!

Thanks to our Scouts, we have a beautifully remodeled nursery that is a safe and healthy place for our children to learn about God, each other, and their best selves. In order to keep things ship-shape, we would love a few volunteers to come in once per month to sanitize and deep-clean. Please reach out to Angelina on Sunday, or call her in the church office if you would like to help.

Thank you in advance!



Church in the Park

Sunday, August 12 9:00am

Oats Park Pavilion

Potluck breakfast in the park at 8:00am!



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