



**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 Pastor's Corner

Dinnertime was always really important in my family, growing up. I didn't realize how important, actually, until the past few years. Funny how your brothers and sisters getting busy raising their own kids, and your parents getting older, and your own children suddenly grown up and living on their own — and even moving out of state, which should never be allowed — makes a person appreciate things like family dinner.

I have been appreciating it so much, in fact, that I started a project of making recipe boxes for each of my kids. I've put their favorite recipes in it (the ones they keep asking me for, and never write down) along with hidden jokes and "wisdom" from Mom scattered around amongst the recipe cards. ("Clean your room!" and "Drink more water!" are in there several times, for example.) In the process, I remembered my Mom's spaghetti sauce. She was famous for it, and I have never encountered another recipe like it..a simple Sicilian thing, passed down for generations. When my Mom passed away a few years ago, all of us talked about wanting the recipe, and kicked ourselves for not getting it from her. So, I called my aunt (who also makes it, though it isn't quite the same), got her recipe, and started experimenting.

The memories. The smells. The feel of home, just with it on the stove. I can hear my Mom's laughter, see her hands, remember how she always burned the garlic bread. Every. Single. Time. I can see the fresh droplets of sauce on the wall behind the stove, and the sauce-covered peeled potato in a dish, after having been fished out of the bottom of the pot. My brother and I waiting for Mom to leave the room so that we could grab noodles out of the colander in the sink and throw them against the wall to see if they would stick.

I don't know much about poetry, but I ran across a poem once that has always moved me. It's called "Perhaps the World Ends Here", by Joy Harjo. It begins with:

*The world begins at the kitchen table.*

And I just can't help but think, yes it does. The poem goes on to describe all of life, at every age, from babies teething at the corners to us growing old and laughing at our falling-down selves. The ways life unfolds when we are together. My favorite line in it is:

*It is here that children are given instructions on what it is to be human.  
We make men at it. We make women.*

All of us have different family lives, and have had different upbringings. We have all been raised in different ways, and have wonderful memories and difficult ones. All of it has played a part in making us who we are, from birth until this very moment. Church life should be like that, too. As we gather around the table of Christ in worship and fellowship, we are being taught about what it is to be human. We are being made into me, into women. We are participating in making women, making men.

It's a beautiful, powerful, daunting task that God has set before us. A beautiful, scuffed, wax-splattered, grape juice-stained, crumb-covered table at which we gather...where people have gathered for generations, for centuries, for millenia to learn how to be human. A solid, lifegiving table that is a place to rejoice and a place to find shelter in the storm. A place blessed by God, at which the living Christ is present. A sacred, holy place.

When we gather together in worship, we become better human beings. When we leave the sanctuary and go into the rest of our lives, I pray that worship continues; I pray that Christ is welcome at every table and at every place in your own life. And I pray that Christ goes before us to make every table at which we gather with friend or stranger a sacred, holy place where learn how to be human.

In the endless love of God,

*Pastor Dawn*





UMW empowers and improves the lives of women, youth, and children around the world. Join us for our meeting on February 7, 2019 at 1pm. Stay tuned for news and happenings! If you would like to know more, please call Judy Pritchard at 775-217-5681. Or visit their website at [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org).



2nd Annual  
**Family Gras**  
hosted by Epworth UMC

Saturday, March 2 2:00pm-4:00pm All Ages!

**GAMES & MUSIC & FOOD**  
Crowning of the King and Queen  
and a silent auction of items from local businesses!

Wolf Center Great Room 497 Esmeralda St  
775.423.4714 for more info



Our annual  
Shrove Tuesday  
Pancake Supper  
is coming up!  
Tuesday March 5th at 5pm  
in the Wolf Center, we are  
providing pancakes, eggs,  
and ham.  
See you there!



Happy Birthday!

- 2/2 Derek Brown
- 2/2 William Gaines
- 2/3 Keli Kelley
- 2/5 Virgil Cramer
- 2/6 Erik Endacott
- 2/7 Betty Schick
- 2/9 Christine Bates-Russell
- 2/9 Dakota Fourez
- 2/11 Alexis Berney
- 2/11 Howard Wolf<sup>^</sup>
- 2/13 Audrey Smirnes
- 2/13 Julie Wolf
- 2/14 Faye McCarty
- 2/15 Gary Ridenour
- 2/17 Rebecca Dugan
- 2/18 Laura Butcher
- 2/18 Steve Endacott
- 2/19 Meagan Victoria Trinidad
- 2/19 Debbra Lysek
- 2/20 Janet June
- 2/21 Austin Bron Torres
- 2/22 Michelle Chrisco
- 2/22 Cameron Kissick
- 2/24 Judy Kroll
- 2/24 Sue Sevon
- 2/26 Katie Fraker
- 2/26 Mike Sevon
- 2/27 Kelly Frost
- 2/28 Gary Utterback

<sup>^</sup> Howard Wolf, a very active and generous longtime member of Epworth UMC, and after whom the Wolf Center is named, passed away in 2015.

Do you have questions about where you can help serve in the life of Epworth? These people would be glad to answer any questions.

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WORSHIP  
&  
SERVICE

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

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.**

### Boy Scout Troop 1776



Jep Jepsen,  
Scout Master: 666-8406  
Steve Endacott,  
Charter Rep: 427-5356

Troop 1776 (often called Troop Independence) meets in the Wolf Center 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 Jep Jepsen or Steve Endacott at the numbers above.



### THANK YOU FROM FALLON DAILY BREAD!

January 2019 wa our 13th anniversary! We have served nearly 115,000 meals. Thank you to all of our deeply committed organizers, and all of our many volunteers and donors.

**February 18th is Methodist Night!**  
**Volunteer to cook, clean up, or serve.**

FDB is a free community meal every Monday and Thursday at 5:15pm  
If you would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry, please call Ron & Barbara Evans 423-2650 or Kathy Fraker 867-3095.



## MORTGAGE PAYOFF NEWS!

Since first deciding in August to work toward fully paying off our mortgage on the Wolf Center, we have raised over \$55,000!

Praise God!

And now, for the remaining \$23,000 (that's all we have left!),  
**friends of the church have come forward to match our giving up to \$13,000!**



With God's help, we can do this!

### Milk and Honey Cooking School was so much fun!



## Lent 2019 begins March 6



Jesus' Life and Ministry in the Gospel of Luke

# 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.



## February Worship Leaders

- 2/3 Kelly Frost
- 2/10 MaryLou Grumstrup
- 2/17 Boy Scouts
- 2/24 Jake Coval

## Word for the Young at Heart

- 2/3 Barbara McGarity
- 2/10 Pastor Dawn
- 2/17 Boy Scouts
- 2/24 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.

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.

### ACOLYTES THIS MONTH

	2/3	Cathy McKean
	2/10	Levia Coval
	2/17	Tim Bennett
	2/24	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.

## 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		5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center	8am T.O.P.S., Fireside Room	9am Praise Team Practice, every first Saturday
10:15am Fellowship and Coffee, Fireside Room	3pm Women's Study Group, Good News Room	6:30pm Boy Scout Troop #1776, Wolf Center		5:30pm Pop Warner Cheerleading Practice The Great Room		7:00pm AA meeting, every second Saturday
10:45am Sunday School	5:15pm Fallon Daily Bread, Wolf Center	7:00pm Lahontan Valley Choir rehearsal, Fireside Room		7pm Joyful Noise Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary		10:00am GA meeting, Conference Room
1:15pm Worship Service @ Homestead, 365 W. A St.						

**Epworth United Methodist Church**  
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 Phone 423-4714  
[www.epworthfallon.org](http://www.epworthfallon.org)

Church Office Hours  
 Monday & Tuesday  
 9am to 3pm

## February Events and Monthly Meetings

2/7—UMW Meeting, 1pm—Fireside Room	2/10 — Church Council Meeting, 10:45am — Fireside Room
2/9—Worship Meeting, 9:30am—Fireside Room	2/18—Methodist Night at Fallon Daily Bread, 4pm—Wolf Center
2/9—AA, 7pm—Wolf Center	

**February Communion Special Offering:**  
**\*\*BOY SCOUTS FUND\*\***

You will find special baskets for this offering at the front of the church, for you to use as you come up to receive Holy Communion. Thank you!