



Epworth United Methodist Church

280 E. Stillwater Avenue

Fallon, Nevada 89406

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

Hello church family!

Last week marked the 171st meeting of the California-Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. As every year, we prayed, sang, and worshipped together. We heard from our Bishop Minerva Carcano about the state of the church. We ordained and commissioned new pastors and missionaries, and gave thanks for those who retired from their work for Jesus Christ in the United Methodist Church. And, as everywhere, we had important conversations together and voted on matters important within the church and outside it.

I was particularly inspired when we heard from several speakers, including our Bishop, who emphasized how conservative and progressive believers need each other, and how important it is that we honor each other's beliefs and respect each other's ministries...how vital it is that we put aside arrogance and self-righteousness and learn from each other. Many spoke against the Traditional Plan because it is antithetical to that goal. In the evenings we were separated into small groups to talk together, and I found it to be a really helpful exercise in hearing each other's stories and learning where each other's beliefs came from. Even when we differed on issues of human sexuality, we found that we had far more in common than that which divides us.

Below are some words from your delegates — Kathy Fraker, Doug Coval, and Kenny Coval — describing their experience and impressions. We hope to speak to you in person on July 14 after worship, so that we can answer your questions more fully than we can here in this space. In the meantime, we pray that you are inspired to give praise and thanks to God for all God is doing in and through the worldwide church, and to continue to pray for God's guidance and blessing on us all.

In the great and holy name of Jesus Christ,

The theme of the Annual Conference Session (ACS 2019) was With Jesus in the Boat, referring to Matthew 8:23-27, when Jesus was sleeping in the boat and a great storm arose and the disciples were afraid. Many nautical references were used throughout the Conference by many of the speakers to note the "storms" of life that we are presently "sailing in and through".

Bishop Carcano gave the opening address and gave a moving speech on the subject of getting in and being in the boat with Jesus. "Only Jesus decides who gets in the boat with him, only he can call those to him, just like he called his disciples." We must be obedient to his calling, no matter who we are.

During the Laity Session, Micheal Pope, Conference Lay Leader, and others introduced Intentional Discipleship and Vocational Ministry. Intentional Discipleship involves growing our faith through study and a developing a Christian lifestyle, while Vocational Ministry calls us to be disciples in our work places to draw others to Jesus.

Congratulations United Methodist Women on 150 years in Mission! President Marlene Ward gave an exciting report on UMW and encouraged all women to get involved.

ACS is a time when church clergy and laity (non-clergy members of the church) get together to do the work and business of the church which includes electing delegates to Western Jurisdictional Conference and General Conference for 2020. Also, voting on submitted resolutions which included 3 church closures, but several new church starts as well. Of course, there were resolutions concerning the Traditional Plan and the Book of Discipline adopted by General Conference at a special session in 2019. Other resolutions concerning the death penalty, parole for non-violent drug offenders, children of Gaza, ending border child incarceration, and other Social Justice issues were discussed as to what the UMC's role should be and then voted upon.

Most of all, the Annual Conference is a time for churches to come together and celebrate what we are doing together as a connectional church! Several connectional ministries are UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) and GBGM (General Board of Global Ministries), which each gave a presentation on their work and missionaries around the world. We can do so much more together than on our own! There is so much more I could write about, but I will report more when I do my in church report. Thank you for the privilege of being a delegate from Epworth UMC and I pray I represented you well.

Sincerely,
Kathy Fraker

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Hi church,

Last week I attended the California Nevada Annual conference. It was held in Modesto, California. There were close 1000 of our brothers and sisters in attendance. It was good to see old friends and meet some new people. The conference itself was kind of difficult to be attending as those of us who support the Traditional Plan of running the church were pretty much forced to listen to attack after attack by those in the majority who supported the One Church Plan. They had lost the vote in the General Conference held in St. Louis. They were very upset and very angry. And they chose to take their anger out on those of us who supported the Traditionalist plan.

For more specifics please come to the meeting Pastor, Kathy Fraker, Kenny Coval and I will have the second Sunday of July.

Blessings to all,
Doug Coval.

I personally thought conference was really good. We got quite a bit done, such as our Conference's reaction to the General Conference that was held February. We heard some amazing speakers, my personal favorite being Brian Adkins, who said during his message said "I always pray 'in the name and in the way of Jesus,' because a lot of harm has been done in the name of Jesus, but it is impossible to do harm in the way of Jesus" which is something I had never thought about, but was one of the best things I've ever heard.

I also saw and got to talk to pastors Gary and Jason, which was great. And I also had a great experience with the rest of the youth and young adult delegation. Overall it was a fantastic experience, and I'd love to do it again!

Kenneth Coval

Happy Birthday!

- 7/1 Mike Berney
- 7/1 Debi Kissick ♥
- 7/2 Dorothy Austin
- 7/2 Molly Smith
- 7/2 Dustin Stritenburger
- 7/3 Zackery Shipton
- 7/5 Hayden Brown
- 7/7 Kaydee Keller
- 7/8 Barbara Evans
- 7/8 Victoria Plants
- 7/8 Norma Richy
- 7/8 Jackie Warburton
- 7/9 Darline Hughes ♥
- 7/9 Grant Mills
- 7/12 Will Matty
- 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
- 7/20 Kathy Albiston ♥
- 7/22 Garrett James Rokosz
- 7/23 Kylie June
- 7/23 Jamie Lawrence
- 7/23 Jerry Noonkester
- 7/24 Laura Ivey
- 7/27 William Hughes
- 7/29 Miles Kelley
- 7/31 John Easter
- 7/31 Cheyanne Goldsworthy
- 7/31 Wilma Miers
- 7/31 Melanie Pearce

♥ In loving memory of Debi, Darline, and Kathy, loved and sorely missed.

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

- Rev Dawn Blundell, Pastor**
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• Oats Park Pavilion •

Sing along to great Christian music with fellow Fallon churchgoers, and bring your favorite snack or side dish to share! Hot dogs, burgers, and fixins will be provided.

Saturday July 13 10:30am Everyone Welcome!

Join a game of badminton, corn hole, or water balloon volleyball, or just relax in the shade, listen to music, and spend time with old friends and new ones.

Family Camp!

Friday, Aug 9— Sunday Aug 11

**Beautiful scenery
Daytime activities
Great food**

More stars than you have ever seen!



Faith and Family Night is July 19th at the Reno Aces Ballpark!



First pitch at 7:05pm!

Tickets \$16 and FREE SHIRTS

Q & A, autograph signing, and a concert starting at 4:05pm

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!



The Pantry has been really busy lately! We are so blessed to receive donations from area businesses and generous individuals, so that we can serve the many hungry people in our community. We provide all kinds of nonperishable food, fresh fruit and milk via surprise donations, and clothing for men, women, and children. We are so thankful to the Foster family, to Margaret Knox, and to Jerry Noonkester for all the work they do to manage this program and take care of our neighbors. We could really use a few more hands, too, to help share in this ministry! Please call the church office at 423-4714 if you'd like to help. You will be so glad you did.

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.



COME SHARE THE JOY AT FALLON DAILY BREAD!

January 2019 was 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.

Monday, July 15th 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 ministry, please call Ron & Barbara Evans 423-2650 or Kathy Fraker 867-3095.



United Methodist Women empowers and improves the lives of women, youth, and children in our community and around the world. Join us for our meeting on Thursday, June 1, 2019 at 1pm. If you would like to know more, please call Judy Pritchard at 775-217-5611. Or visit the UMW website, unitedmethodistwomen.org.

SUMMER BIKE TOURS FOR CHARITY



We are so glad to host traveling cyclists this summer, as we have for many years. We welcome them into the Wolf Center, provide them a good healthy dinner and a warm, safe place to spend the night, make them breakfast early the next morning, and send them on their way. They travel all the way across the country and arrive at Epworth after a 110 mile ride from Austin, NV. So they are very thankful to find showers and supper waiting for them!



Bike & Build

Here's where you come in: Donna Strickland is their main point of contact, and she will invite you to sign up to cook and serve dinner, and cook and serve breakfast. And all of us are invited to join these groups for dinner, and learn more about the cause they are riding for!

- ☞ July 18-19 Bike and Build (like Habitat for Humanity, but with bikes!)
- ☞ July 27-28 Bike for MS
- ☞ July 30-31 4K for Cancer (yep, that means 4,000 miles)



Kids' Sunday School and most of our adult Sunday School classes go on Summer break beginning June 12. See you in the Fall!

An adult class on "The Names of Jesus" will meet every Sunday after worship in the Wolf Center, led by Jeanette Strong. All materials provided, everyone is welcome! Drop in any time.

And a weekday adult study on "The Screwtape Letters" by CS Lewis will begin on Monday, July 9 at 3:00pm led by Catjhy McKean. Call the Church office for details!



WALK TO EMMAUS

THE UPPER ROOM®

Join us for a weekend of spiritual renewal that you will never forget.

Men's Walk July 25-28	Women's Walk August 1-4
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At South Reno UMC in Reno, Nevada
 Call the church office for more info, 775-423-4714

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.



July Worship Leaders

- 7/7 **Could Be You!**
- 7/14 **Doug Coval**
- 7/21 **Mary Lou**
- 7/28 **Judy Pritchard**

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. You can reach her by calling the church office, 423-4714.

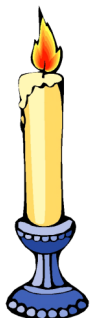


Word for the Young at Heart

- 7/7 Mary Lou Grumstrup
- 7/14 Pastor Dawn
- 7/21 Could Be You!
- 7/28 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

7/7		7/7	Cathy McKean
7/14		7/14	Levia Coval
7/21		7/21	Tim Bennett
7/28		7/28	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	12:00pm AA/NA Meeting, Good News Room	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	6:30pm Boy Scout Troop #1776, Wolf Center				
10:45am Sunday School						
1:15pm Worship Service @ Homestead, 365 W. A St.						

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Church Office Hours
 Monday & Tuesday
 9am to 3pm

July Events and Monthly Meetings

7/13—AA, 7pm—Wolf Center	7/30-7/31—4K for Cancer Bike Group—Hosted in the Wolf Center
7/15—Methodist Night at Fallon Daily Bread, 4pm—Wolf Center	
7/18-7/19—Bike and Build bike group—hosted in the Wolf Center	
7/28-7/29—Bike for MS—Hosted in the Wolf Center	

July Communion Offering

Ministerial Fund

Our special offering on the first Sunday in July will go toward the fund Fallon Churches use to help those in need in our community. Thank you for your participation in this shared mission.

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!