

Share the Spirit



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May UWF Luncheon Meeting

Happy Mothers' Day! How better to celebrate than a baby shower! Plan to attend our UWF Potluck Luncheon Meeting on Thursday, May 9th at 11:30 am. UWF meets in the Education Room. Lunch is at 11:30 and program at 12:15. Remember

Do Not Bring Dessert to the potluck as it will be provided. Our May program is a baby shower for the City of Refuge. Bring wrapped gifts for babies or moms-to-be. A list of needed items is on the UWF bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. If you cannot attend on May 9th, bring wrapped gifts for the baby shower and place in basket in the foyer of the church.

Review the choices for Heifer International listed on the UWF bulletin board & be prepared to vote for your choice at the meeting. Choices are: #1 Clean water, 4 Biogas stoves; #2 Solar Family Kit, 4 biogas stoves; #3 Hope Basket: Send a girl to School; #4 Gardeners Basket, and \$ where it matters most . Please see our UWF bulletin board to get a full explanation of each item included in each gift.

UWF is putting together a raffle basket for an Austin's House fundraiser. Bring items for the "family fun" raffle basket for Austin's House. Sharon Calvert suggests snacks, candy or summer fun items as she has enough games at this point.

Come for fun, food and fellowship. We hope to see you all there! We encourage anyone interested to attend or invite a friend. The business meeting follows the program. No reservations required! Questions? Contact UWF President Ann Robar. Hope to see you there!





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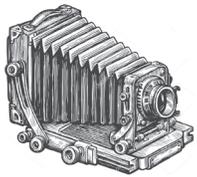
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Kathy Wicker does a lot of candid photography in and around the church for the newsletter and Fellowship Hall TV; she contributes photos of the beautiful Carson Valley and its environs. Take a look at page 5 for Kathy's take on

"Signs of Spring" and a great candid of Tammy Owens with her friend Goofy as they might be going over the score to "Taco Bell Cannon" - Holy Humor Sunday

Timeless Treasures Collecting Starts

Please bring your boutique-quality treasures to the church education room on the 3rd Monday of each month **between 10 AM and 12 noon**. The next collection day will be Monday, May. 20.

This is the perfect time to donate any Christmas items you no longer want! Timeless Treasures isn't a rummage sale. If you think someone would like receiving an item as a gift, it probably will be perfect for us. No clothing, please.

Thank you all for your help! Your donations are the reason Timeless Treasures will be successful. Contact Alison Grey, Marsha Gallegos, or Sue Hanley with any questions.

Scriptures and Themes for May 2024

May 5, 2024

6th Sunday of Easter

John 15:9-17

Sermon Scripture: 15:12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you

Theme: Love one another

May 12, 2024

7th Sunday of Easter

Psalm 1

Sermon Scripture: Psalm 1:3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

Theme: Blessed by God

May 19, 2024

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon Scripture: Acts 2:21 2:21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Theme: Witnesses of Jesus Christ

May 26, 2024

Trinity Sunday

Romans 8:12-17

Romans 8:14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

Theme: Blessed Trinity

Prayer Tree

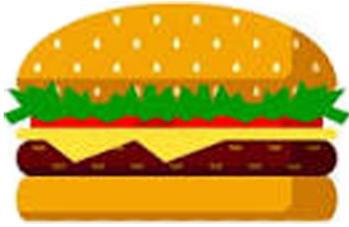
God answers prayers, everyone needs a prayer said for them. A prayer of praise, a prayer of need or a prayer for comfort.

There is a prayer tree in the back of the sanctuary with several names and organizations that are in need of prayer. Please stop by and take a prayer slip and pray for that person during the week.



SAVE THE DATE

The Church Picnic will be Sat. June 15 at the church; watch the bulletin board to sign up for salads and desserts. Hamburgers, Hot dogs, lemonade, ice tea and water will be provided.



Volunteers Needed!

CVUMC is preparing to host a Vacation Bible School this summer. "Christmas in July" will be July 8-12 from 9 am to Noon. This is a fabulous event to invite the community with children to our church. We are looking for volunteers to help make this week successful.

Do you like science, crafts, outdoor games, music, preparing snacks or just want to have fun while educating children about the love of Christ? Please contact Laura Bridwell for more information at 775-250-7081 or Shufnatic@gmail.com.

Vacation
Bible
School

2024 UWF Reading Program

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek

by Kim Michele Richardson

Ann Robar reports, "This was a terrific book where I learned about the WPA's library project in the 1930s, the poverty of the coal miners in Eastern Kentucky at the time, as well as a genetically linked enzyme deficiency that caused some people to have blue skin and brown blood."

The lonely young Appalachian woman, Cussy Mary, joins the historical Pack Horse Library Project of Kentucky and becomes a librarian, riding across slippery creek beds and up treacherous mountains on her faithful mule to deliver books and other reading material to the impoverished hill people of Eastern Kentucky. Cussy's not only a book woman, however, she's also the last of her kind, her skin a shade of blue unlike most anyone else. Not everyone is keen on Cussy's family or the Library Project, and a Blue is often blamed for any whiff of trouble. As she brings books to the hill folks, she's has to confront prejudice as old as Appalachia and suspicion as deep as the holler.

Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere—even back home.

This book can be found in the Douglas County Library and is well worth the read.

Each year the United Women in Faith offer a reading program. Men and women of the church are encouraged to read at least 1 book from each of the five categories: Education for Mission, Leadership, Nurturing for Community, Social Action, and Spiritual Growth. Books from the current year & 4 previous years are also eligible. A complete list is on the side of our library shelves or on the UWF bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Craft Workshops!

Mark your calendar! Craft workshops for the Heavenly Holiday Faire start meeting again May 6 and 20 from 9:30 am - noon, the first and third Mondays. Craft supplies are provided, but bring your ideas for new craft items. Come for fellowship, fun and creativity!

Please bring your ideas to the next workshop or contact Nancy Raymond who is chairman of the crafts. She loves new ideas. The Heavenly Holiday Faire on Saturday, November 2 will be here before you know it. Questions about anything else contact Sharon Calvert, Craft faire Chairman.

More than **2.5 million**
U.S. youth are using e-cigarettes¹

How much **do you know** about youth vaping?



Carson Valley United Methodist Church

invites the community for

**The Nevada National Guard's Nevada Counterdrug
Program presentation of the dangers of vaping and
drugs in our schools**

**Parents and kids are invited to join us for this age
appropriate night filled with information.**

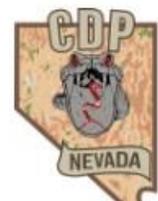
Tuesday May 28, 2024 at 5:30 pm

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The Nevada Counterdrug Drug Demand Reduction Outreach (DDRO) program supports the state of Nevada's evidence-based prevention efforts to reduce youth substance use.

DDRO personnel raise awareness in the community by sharing information about current drug trends, highlighting the associated risks, and providing guidance on how to stay safe. This effort aims to educate individuals about potential dangers and empower them to take steps to safeguard themselves. Through proactive outreach, DDRO personnel work to prevent substance abuse and promote a culture of awareness and resilience within the community, fostering a safer and healthier environment for all.





Church family, we have made it again to a new month and God keeps on providing His everlasting love and grace to our community. In this new month of May, we can all say with the words of the psalm for this month (Psalm 1) that we put our trust in the Lord as a testament of God's presence in our midst. In this month of May we are proposing a new theme to bring reflection during the transition of the liturgical season from Easter to Ascension Sunday to Trinity Sunday. The theme is titled: *How Shall We Love*.

We will concentrate not only on a certain type of love but a love that has been blessed to all believers through the sacrifice of God's only Son Jesus Christ. We will begin the month with Jesus proclaiming a new commandment - to love one another as a model for all believers. The second Sunday will focus on how a person is filled with the spirit of God and is blessed in all aspects of life. The third and fourth Sunday, will concentrate on our doctrinal aspects as Methodist Christians, exploring the theological and biblical perspective of the Pentecost and the Holy Trinity.

I encourage you all to pray for our General Conference. It will be held from April 23 to May 3, 2024. I also encourage you all to also pray for our Annual Conference, which will be in session on June 6, 2024 through June 10, 2024. We will bid farewell to Bishop Carcano as she departs into retirement. May the spirit of Pentecost bless our church and our conference as we continue to build God's kingdom in our community.

Blessings, Pastor Latu Paea



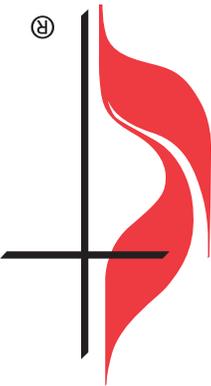
Our UWF's Mission U

Our local UWF will host a Mission U at our church on June 28 and 29, 2024. This year the theme is "The Kin-dom Is Among You: Drawing Closer to God and One Another". The main group leader this year is Michael Pope who is a dynamic and entertaining leader/facilitator. There will also be fun as well as sacred music lead by Jo Neisch.

Interested in deepening your faith in community gaining experience interpreting scripture? Interested in working toward healing for yourself, your community and all of creation while meeting other UWF women in our conference? Then Mission U is for you! The cost is \$75 per person and our local UWF has some scholarship funds available should you need that.

To register by June 14, log on to canvuwf.org. Mission U is free for youth to attend, but registration is needed. If you would like to volunteer to help or bring food, sign up on the UWF bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Talk with Ann Santos, Carol Coleman, Carol Lucas or Ann Robar.

Worship Schedule
Sundays
 Worship 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship time follows morning services
 Loving child care provided


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