

**Lent is a
journey
that
moves us
towards
the
Cross**

CHAPMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

MARCH, 2026

Pastor Connie's Corner

"Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" This is not just a wish list for God to "Poof" into place. This is an invitation and a covenant between God and the people of God. We do good and show mercy when we buy some gifts and stock a cupboard but doing justice seems a bit overwhelming. What if we could partner with a couple of hundred people and work together to make a difference? We can. North Central Kansas faith communities are coming together to listen to people in our area and make note of things that need a change. Together we will prioritize needs and design a plan.

I am excited with the possibility of what we can do together. Janet E. and I have both been to the introductory bible study. I am continuing to meet with the organizing team. I want to see our congregation get on board by coming for a one event **bible study March 22, at 3:00 p.m.** I hope we will become a participating congregation. There will be a leadership training in July followed by a covenant assembly in November. By May of 2027 congregations from all over the area will come together as members of a coalition that works together to make a difference in the world. In September and October, we will have house meetings in our participating communities to hear one another's stories and learn about some of the needs. Then we will prioritize needs, research ways to help, and organize events to create changes. I hope you will prayerfully consider giving this opportunity some attention.

-Connie



Here at CUMC, we are reaching out as we love, grow, and serve through faith

Outreach Report

March Mission of the Month—Elsie Brooks Cancer Fund

The Mission of the Month for March is to the Elsie Brooks Cancer Fund. This organization helps people by supplying cancer patients with funds to help pay for all the things insurance doesn't cover during extended treatments. Some of the benefits include money to pay for the fuel to make doctor appointments; financial support when needed for lodging during long stays at treatment centers; and also to help patients acquire wigs to help with their body image during treatments. If you wish, you may make a donation at the Missions table in the narthex.

With the generous support of the congregation a donation was made to CASA in the amount of \$740. Since CASA depends on donations to support the program, this donation will assist their goal of helping children caught up in the court system. Thank you.

February Community Meal A Success

Chili and cinnamon rolls were the meal on Wednesday February 25th. Seventy people were served including those delivered to, eating in fellowship hall, and doing take-out. Thanks go to all the people of CUMC for their help in supporting this mission of the church. Join us March 25, 2026 for our next dinner!

Women's Bible Study

A Bible Study for ladies will begin on March 12. The 9-lesson study will be on the Book of 1st John: "God's Love Through You." The Study will be held on Thursdays at 1:30 in the Conference Room. Trudy Barker and Rachel Owen will be the leaders. Information and sign up (by March 5th) is on the table in the narthex.

Set clocks one hour ahead

**DAYLIGHT
SAVING
TIME**

At 2:00 a.m



Happy Birthday, Pastor Connie—March 7th



Remember how much fun we had celebrating all our birthdays last March? We are ready to do it again **March 29th (Palm Sunday) right after Church**. We will have chili for lunch followed by the dessert supplied by table hosts. I am still looking for hosts. Based on the number of people expected, we will combine a few months. The open months are March, May/June, July, and November. **Will you bake a cake and prepare a table?** If you would like to host a table, please let pastor Connie know as soon as possible.



Youth News

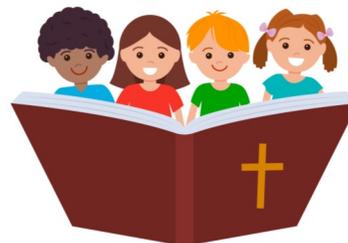


Once again, the youth were greeters the first Sunday in February. Those in attendance greeted church goers, passed out the bulletin and gave everyone a "You are Loved" sticker to celebrate the Month of February.



Reminder that due to Spring Break, there will be no Sunday School on March 15th or 22nd. Sunday School will resume Sunday, March 29th. We hope everyone has a fun and safe Spring Break!

SUNDAY SCHOOL



Please note that Easter Sunday will be the last Sunday for Sunday School until we resume again in September.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Daylight Savings 3/8

B. Huff Circle 3/10

Women's Bible Study
Begins 3/12

Community Dinner 5pm
3/25

All Church Birthday
3/29

MARCH

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 3/1 Talon Combes, Myken Edwards
3/2 Hilary Roskens
3/3 Janet Meyer, Neal Troyer
3/5 Sydney Albers
3/7 Connie Wooldridge, Kinley Hildebrand, Rachel Fuller
3/8 Leah Thomas
3/9 Bob Roskens
3/13 Dustin Chamberlain
3/14 Chip Edwards, Brian Combes
3/15 Jill Will
3/16 Sylvia Schmidt, Rick Erickson
3/17 Chandler Sweet, Abby Sweet Nesor
3/18 Shane Meyer, Tonya Frieze Coup
3/23 Kyah Bell
3/24 Steve Johnston
3/28 Bob Meyer, Tyler LeCount
3/30 Collette Erickson



Worship Assistants

Liturgists

March 1: Lynn Kruse
March 8: Trudy Barker
March 15:
March 22:
March 29: Lynn Kruse

Ushers

March 1:
March 8:
March 15:
March 22:
March 29: Ray Kruse

Greeters

March 1: YOUTH
March 8: Sabrina Samuelson
March 15:
March 22:
March 29: Ray & Lynn Kruse

