



Our Youth. I am Grateful.

I remember as a teenager in high school learning about our government and political processes in government class. While I believe it was one of those classes that lit a passion within that would come to flame later in my life, I really was not very politically astute in those days. The experience was not unlike my journey of faith in those days as well. My father was an United Methodist clergy, so I grew up in the church. While I have no doubt the seeds of faith and passion for justice were planted in those days, I was not particularly religiously astute either. Those awarenesses and passions would come later in my life as I paid closer attention to my own journey of faith as well as the workings of our country and the world around me.

I remember, especially my youngest son in particular, of his interest in politics and how our government works and the political processes that happens in the wake of its work. He was much more politically astute in his teenage and college years than I ever was.

It is easy, I think, to become frustrated and disillusioned in these days we live in regarding both faith and politics and our society and culture. There is so much hate and anger, injustice and bigotry, fear and misinformation, and it can be so disheartening and overwhelming. While I try to be as active an advocate as I can, it can feel like we are spinning our wheels and the silence of others only feeds the struggle for justice.

As overwhelming and disheartening as it may seem, right in the middle of it I begin to see glimmers of light, movement, and those willing to take a stand and say it is time to speak up. I find this inspiration and hope not from our politicians, and even not so particularly the leadership of our churches, though I know there are allies and leaders for justice and compassion in both of those arenas, I see and hear it in our youth.

The youth of today are even more aware of our world than we were at their age. With the power of social media and networking, they have power we never dreamed of. In the aftermath of the gun violence of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, the students have begun a movement with students across our nation joining their voices and light together to stand and say, "Enough is Enough!" Their calls for action, their willingness to stand toe to toe with the impotent politicians who continue to do nothing in the wake of such violence and tragedy, should move us all.

I hear in these student voices the words and the passion of the prophets of old who stood eye to eye with the empire, with kings, and said *you are reaping what you are sowing, and unless you do something about this violence and injustice you will fall.* They are trying to wake those who refuse to see. They are standing against those who embrace money rather than the common good. They are speaking up and refusing to accept no action. They are demanding their lives are more important than the injustice of a broken system of payments and lobbyist's.

Thank you to our youth for breaking through and beginning what so many of us seemed unable to do. I stand with you. Your work is faithful. Your work is just. And we should stand and walk with you or get out of your way. They will lead us. There is precedent for such leadership in our faith tradition. We should pay attention.

Be A Light. Love One Another. Every. Single. Other.
Pastor Kent

Saturday Night
Spring Ahead
1 Hour



Time to
Spring Ahead

Pastor Kent's

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**College Hill
United Methodist Church**
A Reconciling Congregation
Wise in the Ways of the Spirit,
Bold in the Ways of Justice,
and Graceful in relationships
with all Creation.

Church Services

9:00 am - Sanctuary
Traditional Service

10:15 am - Fellowship Hall
Contemporary Service

11:20 am - Ward Chapel w/ Communion
The 40 Worship Service

Sunday - March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sermon - For Love?

Lenten Sermon Series - *Perilous Love*

Rev. Kent H. Little

March 4, 2018

Attendance 249

Giving \$10,537.00

THANK YOU!

From Gerry ReQua

Many thanks to all of you at College Hill for all the cards, letters, and other expressions of sympathy on John's passing.

Our Sympathy to Cathy Cole and family, in the death of her sister.

Congratulations to Lloyd Hanna



for receiving the Sister Tarcisia Roths award for not-for-profit. This award was announced in the Eagle newspaper on Sunday, February 18th. Lloyd is one of five selected as a 2018 Difference Maker. Lloyd was recognized for his work with the Medical Loan Closet.

Do You Have a Special Talent?

Love to make arts and crafts? Sing or play an instrument? Good at organizing and paperwork? Can prepare/assemble lunches? Enjoy teaching or assisting teacher? WE NEED YOU FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!! VBS is scheduled for the week of July 9 - 13 from 9am - Noon and as usual, we need lots of volunteers. If you would like to help, email or call Jodi Rice @ 316.683.4645 or Jodi.rice@collegehillumc.org. What a fun way to help our CHUM children grow and enjoy this summer experience.

TGIF

March 9th @ 6:30pm
McAlister's Deli
7130 W. Maple

Everyone is welcome to join us for dinner and conversation!
For more information contact
Janice Rich, 265-4879
Also contact Janice for carpooling.

From Your Junk to Someone Else's Treasure

The Mission Committee is going to sponsor a church-wide garage sale to help support our Missions & Ministries (M&M) fund. Start saving your NICE items today as you do your Spring Cleaning of your house and garage. Donate your unwanted items (NO clothing or shoes please). The date for the sale will be Saturday, April 28th. You may start bringing your items to the church. Please drop off in Room B1 (basement at the west end). Look for more info in upcoming newsletters.

Variety Show & Silent Auction with a Potluck Dinner

The Middle School youth are gearing up for their fundraiser this Sunday. Donations for the Silent Auction are still being accepted and you can drop them off to Brian in the church office. Join us Sunday, March 11th at 6:00 pm. for the potluck dinner, silent auction and variety show. The auction items will be on display in the Parlor Sunday morning and bidding may begin then. Thank you for your continued support of our youth ministry program here at CHUM.

Join Us This Sunday!

The **Trinity Garden Committee** will meet  in the library after the second service this Sunday. You do not need to have gardening experience to attend this meeting! Our group maintains both the interior and exterior gardens in the front of the church, as well as the plantings around the perimeter of the church. We will review our accomplishments from last year and plan for 2018. Anyone who would like to join our gardening group is most welcome.

Connie Gaston, TG Chair

UMW Alice Keech Circle
March Meeting
March 21st @ 10:00am
Refreshments served in Parlor
All Women are welcome!

Tillie's Cards Still Available

For \$30.00, you can get a bouquet of flowers from Tillie's each month. Jodi would like to reach a total of 100 cards sold so there are still about 6 cards available for sale in the church office. \$12.00 of each card goes to the Children's Ministry and will be used for scholarships. Time picked up a dozen beautiful red roses on Friday and Jodi picked up a wonderful Spring bouquet...these bouquets are beautiful! A great gift for a friend or loved one!

Camp Fontanelle for Families and/or Adults

Family Style Work Team trip will be July 29 - August 3. This is for ages 5 through 105. The cost is \$85/child and \$110/adult. This cost covers transportation, food and lodging. A deposit of \$25 will be required and scholarships will be available. Those over 18 years of age have to be Safe Gathering certified and Jodi can help with this if you are not certified. Camp Fontanelle is just north of Fremont, NE and we will be doing repair work to the church located there. It could be sanding, painting staining, decluttering, etc. Hope you will join our work team and bring your friends and family too!

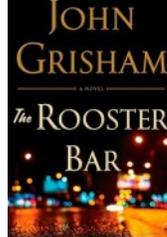


Fun Family and Faith Day

Sign up and join us on **Friday, March 23, from 1:30 - 3:30pm** at the Kansas Food Bank. There are only 11 spots available at this time. RSVP to Jodi Rice by calling the church office or emailing Jodi at:

Jodi.rice@collegehillumc.org. This is a great opportunity during Spring Break for families to work together to help others in need.

Faith Sisters' Book Club Will Meet Sunday, March 18 at Noon.



Join the ladies in the Parlor and they will be discussing The Rooster Bar by John Grisham. All ladies are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS NOTES

AGAPE, Rm. 201 - Class cancelled this past Sunday due to Shocker game! Sunday's topic will be "Belonging to an Egyptian Family." Plans for class to attend Gridiron on Saturday, April 7th, Nancy W. will send out more information in the near future for tickets. Wiebe's have treat.

BUILDERS, Rm. 305 - Sunday we will be doing Chapter 4 of He Chose the Nails. Prayers for Charlie, Danielle, Christian, Nori, and the people on the northeast coast.

CHILDREN, Children's Center - We have begun our new mission project - to buy a pig for Heifer International. Sunday, we begin our Holy Week study with the emphasis in art time.

COMMUNICATORS, Rm. 301 - Thanks to Barry & Pam for a delightful brunch on Saturday. Mark your calendars - April 4 Ladies night out, meet at Paramount, 13th and Woodlawn, at 5:30pm then on to Oak & Pie for dinner and April 14 for covered dish dinner at White/Hensiek house, more details soon. Remember these are our go-go years! Prayers for John B. and Stan Capper surgeries this week and for Caywood's brother-in-law and son. Marilyn has devotions next.

CONTEMPORARY STUDIES, Rm. B5/7 - On this Shocker Game Sunday morning, seven people gathered sending best birthday wishes to Marilyn Hansen, and get-well wishes to Connie Morris and Natalie Zook. Keith Williamson reviewed "The Typographic Mind, " (Chapter 4, first part, pp. 44-52), with table talk about memorable lectures we have heard recently. Spring forward before next Sunday's focus on the rest of chapter 4.

DOUBLE CIRCLE, Rm. B4 - Bob called the class to order. It was good to see Moe, Lee, and Betty back with us. The lesson was on the greatest trial Abraham ever had. Genesis 22 - offering his son, Issac, for sacrifice. Of course we know at the last minute his son Issac was spared from being placed on the offering and a ram was provided in his place. 14 were present.

TRAVELING COMPANIONS, Bride's Room B14 @ 11:15 am - Join us for discussion on spiritual development and personal growth.

VICEROY, Rm. B3 - We had a full class for the first visit for Father Graciem, he shared his faith journey, and asked the class to briefly do the same. We look forward to his next visit Sunday.

College Scholarships Available - If you have never received a scholarship from the College Hill UMC Foundation, you may be eligible. Money is available to graduating high school seniors/GED who actively attend CHUM. If you are returning to college due to a career change you may also apply for a scholarship. Applications are available in the church office and completed applications, along with the additional information requested, must be returned to the church office no later Sunday, March 25, 2018.

CHUM Foundation Grants

The CHUM Foundation are currently taking applications for grant fund requests. The requests must be for the improvement of College Hill UMC. If your class, group, service or department are in need of funds for your ministry, please stop by the church office to pick up an application. Applications must be returned by Sunday, March 25, 2018.



College Hill United Methodist Youth Ministry

March 11
Variety Show, Silent Auction & Potluck Dinner
5:30 - 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall

UPCOMING CALENDAR

March 18
Coloring the Psalms
11:30am - 1:00pm

March 25
Minute To Win It
11:30am - 1:00pm



CHUM Nursery

The CHUM Nursery is available for children under the age of 4 years each Sunday. It is located at the west end of building across from the elevator next to Fellowship Hall.

Children's Ministries Welcomes All Children!

**Children's Sunday School
for 2 year olds - 5th Graders**

Sunday school will take place in the Children's Center during the Sunday school time from 10:15 - 11:30am. Take children directly to their classroom and pick them up at 11:30am from their classroom. **First Sunday of each month** is Family Worship so all children with worship with their family and there is no Sunday school.

KID'S CONNECTION

Every Wednesday evening
6:30 - 7:30 pm
Children's Center (basement)
All children welcome!

Variety Show and Silent Auction with a PotLuck Dinner

Sunday, March 11

6:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Bring a dish to share and enjoy some great talent.

Lots to bid on including, quilted wall hangings, table runners, pottery, baskets, dinners for 8. All items will be on display in the parlor on Sunday morning March 11.