

# News from...

## Grace United Methodist Church Week of April 12

Grace UMC's Prayer Emphasis for God's World

*Pray for Widows/Widowers that live  
alone in the community*



### Easter Offering



The Easter offering  
totaled \$10,707.25! Which enabled us to  
give \$3,569.08 to the following  
ministries:  
Diaper Giveaway, Food Pantry, and  
Project Bread!

*"God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you  
have shown him as you have helped his people and continue  
to help them."*



Hebrews 6:10



**There will be a noisy bucket collection  
this Sunday, April 21st, for Kelly's  
Closet. This is a fund represented at  
SCHS, that helps students with needs.**

# Let us all welcome Rev. Carol Lakota Eastin who will be joining us in July.

## REV. CAROL LAKOTA EASTIN

Rev. Carol Lakota Eastin is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church. She holds a bachelor's in music education and psychology from MacMurray College; a Master of Divinity and a Master of Arts in Christian Education from the Methodist Theological School in Ohio; and a Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology from Illinois State University.

Carol has Native American heritage which has influenced her spiritual path, theology, and ministry. She grew up in Peoria, IL, where she still has family.

Carol has served in a variety of ministry settings, rural, small-town, and urban across the Illinois Great Rivers Conference and as a pastoral counselor at BroMenn Counseling Services.

As a GBGM missionary, Carol was the founding pastor of Dayspring Native American United Methodist Church in East Peoria, IL. Her work with Native American people continues through her involvement in the United Methodist Native American Caucus and the Native American Course of Study (a school for pastoral training).

Carol was the District Superintendent of the Kaskaskia River District from 2014 to 2022 and is very familiar with the Salem area. Carol is coming back to full-time ministry after two years of retirement in which she has been coaching church leadership, teaching, and has been engaged in research and writing in the area of pastoral/spiritual care. She and her husband, Rev. William Eastin, reside in Mount Vernon, IL. Their son Luke and his family are also in Mount Vernon.

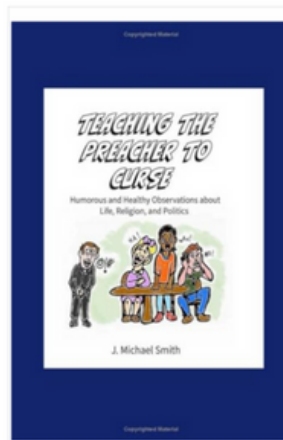
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**All-Church Bowling Event**  
**Sunday, April 14, at 12:00 pm**  
**Salem Bowl**  
**No charge for Shoes or Games**  
**Pizza Special - Large for \$13.00**

**Pastor Mike Smith will be coming to preach on April 21st. He is also having a book signing directly after worship.**



You can either click below to access his new book, or purchase one for \$20 on the 21st. Note: if paying with a credit card there is an additional small fee.

[CLICK HERE to access Pastor Mike's new book](#)

**FREE BOOKS & STUFF!**  
**located on the table in front of the Pastors office.**



# Food Pantry Items Requested for the month of April

Soup & crackers, boxed potatoes



Give Thanks to the Lord,  
For He is Good!



Scan the QR code  
for an easy way to  
give.

or [Click Here to Give Online](#)

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and  
generosity in giving!

## SAVE THE DATES FOR VBS 2024



**JULY 15TH - 19TH  
9AM - NOON**

**AGES 3 THROUGH 5TH GRADE  
WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE,  
OLDER YOUTH CAN EARN IPAD  
HOURS BY BEING A HELPER**



**TO PRE-REGISTER: SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO TO  
HTTPS://SALEMGRACEUMC.MYCOKESBURYVBS.COM  
(CLICK "MENU" AT TOP TO REGISTER!)**

# HAPPENING

*this week*

**SATURDAY**

**4-13-24**

**SUNDAY**

**4-14-24**

9:00 am Worship

10:15 am Sunday School

12:00 pm All Church Bowling

**MONDAY**

**4-15-24**

9-12 pm ADK Teacher's Sorority

6:00 pm Church Council Mtg.

**TUESDAY**

**4-16-24**

5:00 pm Dulcimers

**WEDNESDAY**

**4-17-24**

1:30 pm Staff Mtg.

5:00 pm Bells

6:00 pm Youth with Grace

6:30 pm Choir

7:30 pm Praise Band

**THURSDAY**

**4-18-24**

9-11 am Gracie's

6:00 pm Community Orchestra  
Practice

**FRIDAY**

**4-19-24**

*Events Coming Soon.*

Sunday, April 21, Pastor Mike Smith Book  
Signing

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Church Calendar](#)

# Grace Family Birthdays & Anniversaries



B-Bill Mercer, 13th

B-Linda Gray, 14th

B-Karen Owens, 14th

**A-Wes & Rene' Gozia, 14th**

B-Mary Helen Hollenkamp, 18th

B-Celeste Oswald, 18th

**A-Bill & Judy Milner, 18th**

B-Wanda Robbins, 19th

B-Jonathan Wilson, 19th

B-Drew Johnson, 23rd

B-Lanie Bundy, 29th

B-Lael Snyder, 30th



B-Nellie Hughes, 6th

B-Kirk Wilkins, 8th

B-Barb Daniels, 9th

B-Carol Jones, 11th

B-Lisa Wheritt, 11th

**A-Levi & Laurie Ward, 11th**

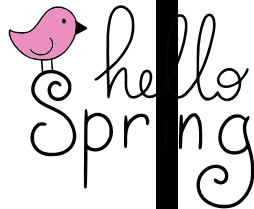
B-Ann Richardson, 12th

B-Bella Richardson, 13th

B-Debbie Clark, 17th

B-Greg Mercer, 17th

B-Jan Basnett, 19th



# Grace Extended Family Birthdays & Anniversaries



BB-Brody Light, 12th

B-Tony Lusch, 16th

B-Mark Bookhout, 19th

B-Robby Fulton, 23rd



B-Joey Suarez, 3rd

B-Erika Register, 6th

B-Neil Miller, 15th

**B = Birthday**

**A = Anniversary**

# Tithes & Offerings

Freely you have received, freely give

## OFFERING

April 7

**Operating: \$27,660**

**Current Bldg.: \$1,051**

**Future Bldg.: \$92**

**Food Pantry: \$102**

**Easter: \$325**

## ATTENDANCE

April 7

**Worship: 85**

**Online: 40**

**Sunday School: 29**

# Prayer Requests

## Prayer for Healing

Father, thank you for loving us and calling us out of the darkness. There are those of us in need of your healing virtue today, by His stripes we were healed. Father, we bind up all sickness and disease and loose your healing virtue unto your children. For those going into surgery, we loose guidance to the hands of the surgeons. Touch all the sick and shut-ins today and restore health to their bodies. In Jesus' precious name.

Amen

*Please continue to send  
prayer requests and praises  
to us by email or phone.*

*God loves you!*

*God loves you!*

## RECENT REQUESTS

**Andrew Davis: Requested by Rae DeLao**

**Forrest Chandler & Family: Requested by Yvetta Hays**

**Julie Rose: Requested by Kathy Matthews**

**Family of R.J. Fox: Requested by Jody Smalley**

**Linda Jones: Requested by Kathy Matthews**

**Kathy Matthews: Requested by Kathy Matthews**

## GRIEVING

**Family of Terry Ferrell**

**Family of Annie Eller**

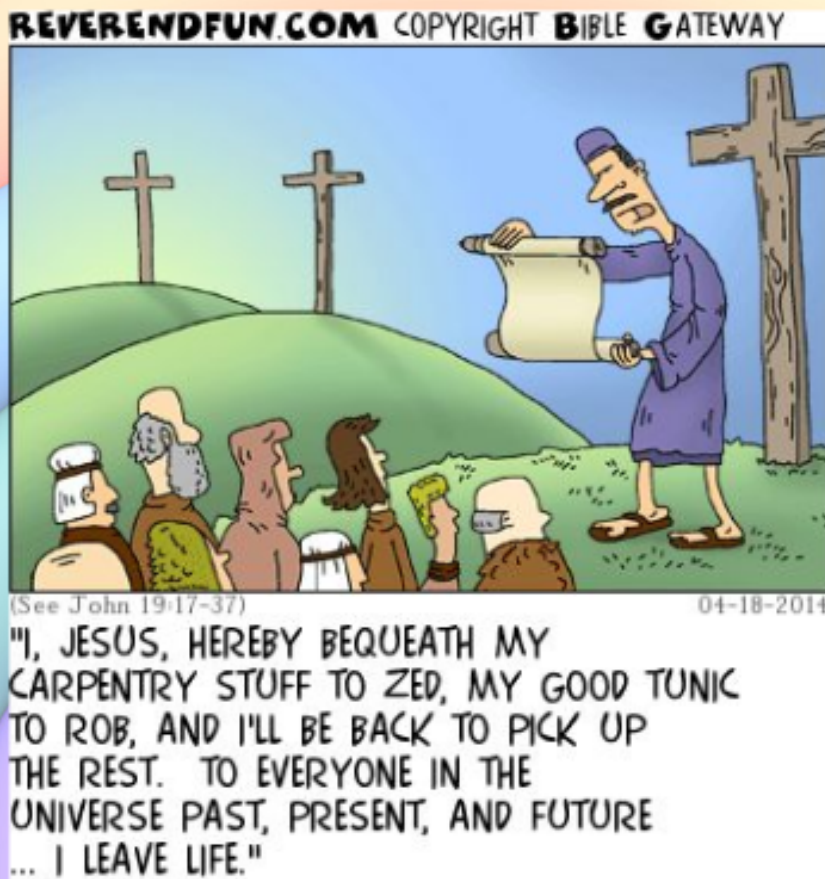
**Family of Marilea Koch**

**Family of Bill Wright**

**Family of R.J. Fox: Requested by Jody Smalley**



# Cartoon for the Week



## Church Links

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The Pictorial Directories are on the table on the landing. You can also click the link to view it. The Text Directory is also available by clicking the link. If a paper copy is preferable, please inform the church office.

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