

Community United Methodist Church



Finance

General Operating

Feb Income \$47,832

Feb Expense 23,512

Feb Net Inc 24,320

YTD Inc 71,265

YTD Exp 44,238

YTD Net Inc 27,027



April Birthdays

Janice Donovan 04/04

Andrea Kitajo 04/04

Mary Brinkmeyer 04/04

Janet Candeleria 04/06

Debra Tjoland 04/11

David Berg 04/11

Lara Bartol 04/16

Jan Swick 04/17

Pam Ford 04/23

Tim Ruhnke 04/25

Ellie Rayne Turner 04/25

Arnold Carter 04/28

Church Office

Email: office@community-umc.net

The Church Office is open by appointment only. Currently, there is coverage on Monday and Wednesday.

·To schedule an event on the church calendar, send an email to the office. Include date requested, rooms to be used, and beginning/ending time for reservation.

·Sunday worship slides must be received by the office before 12:00 PM on Wednesday to be included in the following Sunday slides.

Thursday Email announcements must be received by 9:00 AM on Thursdays. Send to: pastorjosh@community-umc.net

·If you would like your picture in the church directory, it can be emailed to the office. Directories are available on the table in the Narthex.

·If you would like your birthday in the monthly newsletter, please email the month/day to the office. If you are not currently included, we do not have your date in church records.

Stewardship

Recently at a celebration of life, I listened to the speakers remembering how our friend touched them by the things they did and said. Each of us carries a set of gifts that may seem ordinary in our own hands but become extraordinary when we offer them for God's purpose. Stewardship isn't just about finances or formal roles – it's about noticing the talents woven into our everyday lives and choosing to use them in ways that lift others up. Maybe you're someone who listens well, someone who fixes things quietly, someone who brings calm to a room, someone who cooks, organizes, encourages, or simply shows up when it matters. When we share those abilities with intention, we become part of something larger than ourselves, helping our church family grow stronger, kinder, and more connected. This month, I invite you to look at what you already do well and consider how that gift might bless someone else.



FUEL

April 2026 Hike

The FUEL (Faith, Unity, Education and Love) committee will once again be offering opportunities to participate in hikes around 1-2 miles long. Families and people of all ages are welcome, and paths chosen will be moderately easy and dog friendly. The hikes will be led by Kathryn MacLeod and include a short devotional time. Participants are encouraged to bring water, wear sunscreen and bring a snack if desired. The upcoming hike will take place on Saturday, April 11 at 10 am. The meeting spot for the hike will be at the blue cross at the trailhead of Washington Heights church (1770 E 6200 S). For more information on the hikes, contact Kathryn MacLeod at horsespoodles@gmail.com or 801-719-7614.

The heavens declare the glory of God: the skies proclaim the work of his hands."

Psalm 19:1



FUEL

Bible Retreat

Where do you go for wisdom, comfort, guidance, and the Truth? So often we look to friends, family, the internet, AI, and more, but Jesus, the Living Word, has infinite wisdom and longs to speak to you personally through the Bible. But we can find the Bible confusing and intimidating, can't we? Where do we even go for answers to our questions?

Join us on Sunday, April 12, as the FUEL (Faith, Unity, Education, and Love) committee hosts a short Bible retreat for youth and adults from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm in the Upper Room. There will be a mix of fun, informative, and practical activities to help everyone feel more comfortable using and understanding God's Word. If you need a Bible, one will be provided. Lunch is included afterwards for those who are interested. For questions, contact Andrea Nelson at aen7@hotmail.com.

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." Ps. 119:105

Adult Sunday School April 2026

Adult SS will look rather different this month. We will not meet on Easter Sunday so that everyone can enjoy the fellowship and delicious food at our wonderful Easter Brunch.

On April 12, the FUEL (Faith, Unity, Education and Love) committee will host a mini Bible retreat for youth and adults from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm.

On April 19, we will complete John Eldredge's Walking with God which has been a very introspective and meaningful study on how to grow in intimacy with the Lord and listen to His voice.

On April 26, we will begin a series of lessons on different psalms and minor prophets which will run through the end of June. Each week will be a stand-alone lesson. We hope that you will join us. Classes begin at 10:30 am in the Upper room.

FUEL

April Free Resources



Imagine a world in which every person's pain makes them better not bitter, kind rather than angry, and selfless instead of greedy and insecure. There is messiness in each of our stories, but we can use that mess intentionally to craft a life that points to God and proclaims his glory.

In *Restored*, prominent pastor and speaker Chris Brown recounts some of the extraordinary tragedies and trials he has experienced, including homelessness, violence, abuse, drugs, and the loss of loved ones. Reflecting on these difficult times in his own story, Chris shares his hard-won countercultural perspective on pain, offering practical tips to inspire those of us who feel disqualified or discouraged by our circumstances.

No matter how messy it was, our past is a gift because it paves the way for us to develop the unique Christ-honoring message the world needs us to share.

Authenticity Challenge

We live in a world where it can be increasingly challenging to determine what is real, which can impact how we view others and even ourselves.

Starting Tuesday evening, April 21, Diane Kitson-Clark will lead a 4-week study of *The Authenticity Challenge* by Sarah Heath. This small group study invites participants to examine three key areas of your life: vocation (the What), relationships (the Who), and faith (the Why). Discussions will take place in the Upper room from 6-7:30 pm. Participants are encouraged to purchase the book. For questions or more information, contact Diane Kitson-Clark at 401-842-1535 or dekitsonclark@gmail.com.

Children and Youth Ministry

Children

Is it summer yet?? This year has been going so fast!! Our kids are learning a lot about Jesus and Holy Week! We had an awesome Journey To The Cross experience on March 28th. Our next big thing is VBS in June! Packets are out for people to pick up for their kids. If you would like to volunteer, please talk with Audrey!

We are excited that we have so many new kids coming! It's so much fun having so many kids!!
We are truly blessed!



Youth

We hope you have enjoyed finding the Little Jesus' around the church. Please feel free to take and share them with somebody that can use a little Jesus in their lives.

The youth had a fun time at the pizza party and we decorated the walls of the youth room. Feel free to go take a peek.

We have moved on from working on the Ten Commandments & the Lord's Prayer.

We are excited for the Journey to the cross and celebrating Easter.

We will then start learning about what a labyrinth is and how they are used.

Have a blessed Easter Season-

Lori & Angie

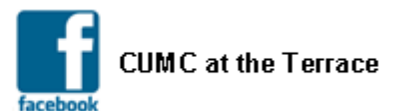
XYZ LUNCHEON

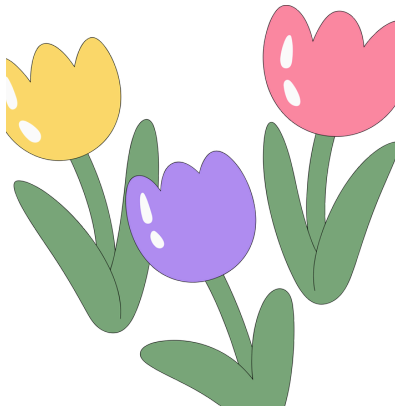
The monthly XYZ luncheon will be held at The Union Grill, 315 24th St, Ogden, on Wednesday, April 15, at 11:00 AM. The signup sheet is on table in narthex.



Men's 2 or More

Saturday April 18th
9:00 AM Upper
Room





Hands & Feet

Spring Boutique

The Spring Boutique is on May 1st and 2nd. The Handcraft room is looking for craft donations.

Think Spring, Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduation. No ideas? Check out Pinterest and try something new!

FAMILY PROMISE NEWS

We no longer host Family Promise at our church; instead we will be providing dinner during our weeks at their new building in Harrisville.

JUNE 7-14

AUGUST 9-15

OCTOBER 18-24

If you haven't been involved before but would like to start helping with meals or bringing supplies to make the meals, please talk to Rhonda and get on the list or text her at 801-388-7013.

If anyone is interested in providing twin-size quilts or full size tied blankets, those are appreciated also. The guests will get to take those to their new homes.

If you would like to do activities or crafts with the children after dinner, that is also encouraged.

Mission Trip to North Macedonia

Last Fall, our Missionary in North Macedonia, Jennifer Moore, sent out a request for anyone interested in helping with the Children's Church Camp she has been leading, to be held in June 2026. Chuck and Claudia Hoover, Buddy Boor, and Linda Binkley have volunteered to travel to North Macedonia to help with the Camp. They will be representing Community United Church as United Methodist Volunteers in Mission. They are asking for your prayers and support for this trip.

A fundraiser to help defray some of the camp's costs is being planned.

Please consider supporting this Mission Trip

. Thank you, Linda, Buddy, Claudia, and Chuck.



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CUMC at the Terrace



Spring Rummage Sale

April 17-18

Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Donation Drop Off Times

Tuesday, April 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 15, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Thursday, April 16, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

DO NOT donate electronics, baby furniture such as car seats, cribs, or highchairs, or exercise equipment. Also, regular furniture will only be accepted with the understanding that if it doesn't sell, YOU will be responsible for picking it up.

Please bring all donations to the back door of the Fellowship Hall

Pinecliff Camp & Retreat Center Spring Clean-Up

Free Overnight Camping

Saturday May 2 to Sunday May 3

Come fellowship and meet new friends while helping us to prepare the camp for the summer season. We will be working both indoors and outdoors weather permitting. Volunteers helping with outdoor projects are encouraged to bring gloves. For those staying overnight there are cabins and limited RV spots. To receive further information and to reserve a camping spot please email pinecliffcamputah@gmail.com or contact Susan Wagner. 801-

726-3378

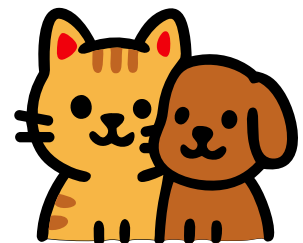
2026 Methodist Camp Dates:

Children: July 13-17

Youth: July 20-24

Donations Needed

The animal shelter thanks us for our continued support! Please bring your sheets, towels, blankets as you clean out closets.





**The Bell Choir Ministry at CUMC
invites you to their**

Spring Bell Concert
Sunday, April 19, 2026
Concert begins at 6:30 PM

Childcare is provided if requested.

Easter Services and Events



- March 28th** Children's Ministry Easter Event 2:00 PM-4:00 PM
March 29th PALM SUNDAY Worship Service 9:00 AM
April 2nd MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship Service 7:00 PM at
First UMC 1339 W 400 N Marriott Slaterville
April 3rd GOOD FRIDAY Worship Service 7:00 PM
April 5th EASTER SUNDAY
Sunrise Service, Time 7:30 AM, followed by continental
breakfast
Worship Service 9:00 AM
Easter Brunch 10:00 AM