



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 11!

Just a reminder that on Sunday, March 11, daylight savings time begins. Be sure to set your clock forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday evening. Spring is coming!

Weekly Enews for

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<http://www.christumc.cc>



**United Methodist Men Communion Service
Breakfast and Potato Drop**

Saturday, March 10, at 8:00 am, Alpine Fellowship Hall

All men are invited to the spring communion service breakfast. Our program will be videos of Jason Brown, once the highest paid center in the NFL. He quit the NFL at age 29 and became a farmer. He and his wife have a 1,000 acre farm in North Carolina named First Fruits Farm. They now donate thousands of pounds of produce to food banks to feed the hungry. The Alleluia Quartet will provide special music for the service. After the worship/communion service, we'll help distribute 40,000 pounds of potatoes to our local food pantries. See Ted Plum for tickets or call the church office at 815-399-5910 to reserve your spot.



March 11 is UMCOR Sunday

We'll be encouraging donations for this important ministry
for the next two weeks.

You have been given an envelope for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) Sunday, formerly One Great Hour of Sharing. Your gift today helps underwrite UMCOR's administrative costs and ensures that during times of disaster, UMCOR will use 100% of your gifts for the specific causes. UMCOR's work involves three major areas: Humanitarian relief/disaster response, sustainable development, and global health.

You may use your envelope today for your contribution. If you don't have your checkbook with you today, there's a link to our website contribution page in your Enews this week or you can type www.christumc.cc/give in your browser to give electronically through our website. Envelopes will be available for a few weeks at the Connection Center for your convenience. You can also mail or bring your contribution to the church office if you prefer. **Please be sure to designate that your gift goes to UMCOR Sunday.**

Click on the link below to give electronically through our website:

<http://www.christumc.cc/give>



**Blood Pressure Screenings Sunday, March 11,
at Alpine Center**

Blood pressure screenings by our Parish Nurses will be done on Sunday, March 11 at Alpine Center in the Armstrong Lounge from 9:00-9:30 and 10:30-11:30 a.m. **They will also be done on Sunday, March 18, at Our Master's Center from 10:30—11:00 am in the Library.** If you've never had the parish nurses check your blood pressure, please stop by and have this important screening done. There are no physical symptoms of high blood pressure, so it is important to have your blood pressure checked.



**Dinner Theater
Fundraiser for youth
workcamp
Saturday, March 17,
Alpine Fellowship Hall
5:30-6:30 pm—heavy
appetizers served
6:45 pm— show begins**



**Nursery Care Workers
Needed!**

Nursery care workers are responsible for attending to young children during Sunday worship services, various church meetings and events. **This is a paid position.**

Schedules are very flexible! Interested candidates must be 18 years or older and willing to

It's time for Dinner Theater! We are doing things a little differently this year. We will be having an open appetizer hour from 5:30-6:30 pm and the show starts at 6:45 pm. Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$7 for children under age 13. **We are not doing a VIP room or VIP section this year—you are all VIPs now!** Please join us for an evening of delicious food and a great show. All proceeds go directly to the kids' camper accounts to help them pay the \$300 fee for workcamp. We hope to see you there! Tickets are available at the church office, on Sunday mornings, and at the door.



**Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, March 24,
at 10:30 a.m.
at Christ UMC, Our Master's
Center**

- Bring your Easter baskets.

undergo a background check/substance abuse check. Nursery care workers are needed at both our Alpine Center and Our Master's worship centers. If interested in becoming a nurser care worker, please email our Director of Children's and Family Ministries, Joy Hayag, at jhayag@christumc.cc.



**13th Annual Women in Islam
Event
Saturday, March 24, 5:30 pm
5921 Darlene Dr., Rockford**

All women and girls over the age of 12 are invited to this free event which includes a lecture, dinner, henna application and much more! The goal of this event is to promote peace and understanding through interfaith dialogue. Learn more about the common misconceptions and stereotypes about Islam. Join women from all faiths and backgrounds in sharing an evening of learning, sharing and growing together. **Please RSVP by March 18:**

- If weather permits, we will hunt outdoors. Otherwise, we will hunt indoors!
- There will be treats and an Easter craft for all participants. Bring your friends. Everyone welcome!



Coffee Hour Servers Needed at Alpine Center

Coffee hour servers are needed for April 8, 15, 22, 29. If you can help, please sign up at the Alpine Connection Center at or email Gayle George at gaylegeorge@christumc.cc.



visit magrwomenislam.wixsite.com/2018;
email magrwomenislam@gmail.com;
or call 815-397-3311.



Church bridge on March 16

The next evening of the church bridge group is **Fri., March 16, 6:30 p.m., at Byron and Mary Wechter's home, 2876 Embury Dr., Rockford 61101.** Bring your partner and come for appetizers and an evening of friendly bridge with two or three tables. Please call George and Mary English at 815-397-4883 by Mon., March 12, if you can come or if you have questions. New people are always welcomed!

**Scrapbooking Group on
March 17**

9:00 am, Alpine Dining Room

Scrapbooking/Stamping is scheduled for March 17 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Alpine Dining Room. Stay for all day or just a half day - whatever fits your schedule. Not everyone in our group scrapbooks. Some are stamping or working on other projects so join us for a fun day of crafting! If children will be joining us, it's requested they be at least middle school age. As always, please bring money for a sandwich plus a snack to share and your own beverage. For more information, call Mary Hicks at 815-742-1136.