



First United Methodist Church

Methodist Outreach

"We're Saving a Seat for You!"

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March 2019

Dear friends,

With the month of March comes a couple of fairly important topics I would like to present to the congregation. The first is our planned replacement of the floor in the Family Life Center. We got a preliminary estimate of about \$15,000 of which we have just over \$5,000. We are planning a fundraiser to be held in April which should help increase the fund, but it will take an effort from the congregation to raise the necessary amount. The plan is to use an epoxy resin that is popular right now in garages. It is a material that is durable, cleanable, and attractive. I am excited about all the things we can do once we replace the floor. I pray each of us will consider giving over and above our tithe to help replace the floor and continue the improvement of our property.

A second topic is the called General Conference that will take place the last week of February in St. Louis. Regardless of what is or is not decided at the conference, there will be questions about how it will affect us in Coweta, Oklahoma. When the conference has completed their work, I will communicate the results to the congregation as efficiently as I can. I will also create space and time for people to ask and discuss the results as individuals or as a group. As we enter this time of decision and change, I ask that everyone be in prayer for the delegates who will be participating in the discussion and decision making.

Finally, I want to talk about the coming season of Lent. This is a time of preparation for the crucifixion and resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. It is tradition to either give up something or pick up something during the forty days of Lent leading up to Easter. I have come to a decision about what I will be giving up for this season. I am giving up watching cable news. I am not giving up watching The News or striving to be well informed, but I have found the cable news networks to be less about reporting the news and more about ratings. I understand that in their quest for ratings, they have become propaganda machines bent on advancing an agenda. Whether it be CNN, FOX, or MSNBC, etc. they are all trying to fill 24 hours with content. I wonder if the politicians would find ways to be productive if they were not trying to create the next sound bite? I am going to use this Lenten Season to reduce my own blood pressure by letting them do what they do without my constant attention. I will focus on God and my own salvation instead.

Pastor John

March Worship Calendar

March 3

Luke 9:28-36
"Transfiguration"

March 6

Ash Wednesday
Matthew 6:1-6

March 10

Romans 10:8b-13
"Believe in your heart"

March 17

Philippians 3:17-4:1
"Stand Firm in the Lord"

March 24

I Corinthians 10:1-13
"The serve as examples"

March 31

2 Corinthians 5:16-21
"Ministry of Reconciliation"

IT'S A NEW MONTH

Be sure to continue your visits with your neighbors this month and pick up their pledged canned goods for CARD/Grace Center. Let Pastor John know if you have any questions.



Forgot your checkbook??

Left your tithe money at home??

There is a solution. Go here and you can give online

<https://www.cowetafumc.org/give>

March

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 9:45 Sun School 10:45 Worship					1	2 Men's breakfast 8:00 am
3 9:45 Sun School 10:45 Worship	4 UMW 5:30 6:30 WOW (Women of the Word)	5	6 Chime Choir practice 5:30-6:15 6pm Gathering Meal 7pm Ash Wednesday Service	7	8	9
10 9:45 Sunday School 10:45 Worship 12:00 Potluck Church Council Meeting	11 6:30 WOW (Women of the Word)	12	13 Chime Choir practice 5:30-6:15 6pm Gathering Meal 7pm Bible Study	14	15	16
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March 2 - Men's Breakfast 8:00 am

March 10 - Church Council Meeting after the luncheon

April 6 - Men's Breakfast 8:00 am

April 21 - Easter

Lent is a time of preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. This year WOW is accepting the challenge of "Forty Days-Forty Items"; choosing to give up something for others. The ladies will remove one item of clothing from their closet the no longer wear each day of Lent. At the end of the 40 days of Lent, they will then donate the clothing items to someone who can really use them. Please help encourage the ladies of WOW as they take on the missional attitude.





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Sunday Service Times:

Sunday School *(for all ages)* – 9:45

Worship – 10:45

MARCH NEWSLETTER

"We're Saving a Seat for You!"

Address Service Requested



Find Us Online!

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LOVE is patient.
is kind. ♥
IT DOES NOT ENVY. IT DOES NOT BOAST.
IT DOES NOT DISHONOR OTHERS
IT IS NOT { SELF-SEEKING IT KEEPS NO
EASILY ANGERED RECORD OF WRONGS
LOVE DOES NOT DELIGHT IN EVIL
BUT REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH
(IT) **ALWAYS** { PROTECTS
TRUSTS
HOPES
PERSEVERES
LOVE. NEVER. FAILS.
1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8