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# **April 2019**

Dear friends,

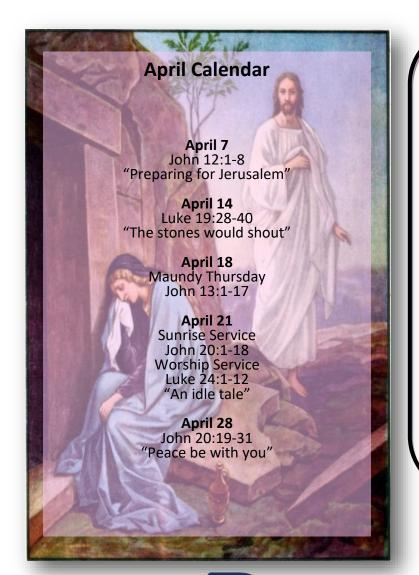
The beginning of Spring is such a wonderful time of year. There is new life all around us. The trees and flowers begin to bloom, the grass turns green once more, and animals continue the life cycle by giving birth. Every year I wait with anticipation the first bird song which heralds the changing of the season. Even in the Church the Spring is a time of new birth. Although it is not held on the same date each year, Easter comes during the Springtime. The chance for us to once again remember and celebrate the suffering, death, and resurrection of our Savior.

With His sacrifice, we are able to become new creations in Him. We become heirs to the Kingdom of God. Our entire faith is based on this miraculous time of year. For many people, Easter has been a time to join the Church, to accept Jesus as Lord, to begin their walk of faith. The traditions of the Church connect us all together, even back to the 1st century followers of The Way. That connection should be the strength we draw on to continue the work of growing the Kingdom of God here in Coweta.

We have seen the creation of ministries here in Coweta over the last couple of years. It is exciting to see the growth in our opportunities to serve. With the creation of the Chime Choir and the reconstitution of the UMW, it is easy to see the joy in serving. It also reminds us that there are always more way to connect and plug in. We will continue to search for new ways to be a part of the life of the Church. We also need to continue to look for ways to reach the people of our community, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

It is wonderful to have members of the congregation tell me the people they have invited to Church. Remember, whether people accept the invitation is not the measure of success. The Holy Spirit has to do the work of changing the hearts of people, our call is to invite and share our life. As we come to this most Holy time of year, think about the people you come into contact with that need the love, acceptance, and Grace of Jesus Christ. Keep inviting.

Pastor John



### 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.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 UMW Meeting 5:30—6:30 pm WOW Bible Study 6:30 pm	2	3 Hand Chime Practice 5:30—6:15 pm 6:00 pm Gathering Meal and Bible Study	4	5	6 Men's breakfast 8:00—9:00 am
7 9:45 Sun School 10:45 Worship	8 6:30 WOW (Women of the Word)	9	10 Hand Chime Practice 5:30-6:15pm 6:00 pm Gathering Meal and Bible Study	11	12	13 Lasagna Diner Fund Raiser 5:30—7:30 pm
14 Palm Sunday 9:45 Sunday School 10:45 Worship 12:00 Potluck Church Council Meeting	15 6:30 WOW (Women of the Word)	16	17 Hand Chime Practice 5:30-6:15pm 6:00 pm Gathering Meal and Bible Study	18 Maundy Thurs- day Service— 6:00pm	19 Good Friday	20 Holy Saturday (Easter Eve & Last day of Lent)
21 Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 am 9:45 Sunday School 10:45 Worship	22 6:30 WOW (Women of the Word)	23	24 Hand Chime Practice 5:30-6:15pm  6:00 pm Gathering Meal and Bible Study	25	26	27
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April 1-UMW Meeting 5:30 pm

April 6 - Men's Breakfast 8:00 am

April 13—Lasagna Dinner Fund Raiser 5:30—7:30

April 14—Church Council and Pot Luck 12:00 pm

April 18-Maundy Thursday Service 6:00 pm

April 21 - Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30 am

Time to collect all that candy for Pearl's Hope! Please have all donations in by April 17th.

Thank you for all your help!



#### **First United Methodist Church**

206 West Sycamore P.O. Box 36 Coweta, OK 74429

#### **Sunday Service Times:**

Sunday School (for all ages) – 9:45 Worship – 10:45

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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.



## **APRIL NEWSLETTER**

