



The Messenger

March—April 2020

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A visit with Pastor Juvenal

“Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations, ‘The Lord has done great things for them.’” (Psalm 126:2).

Richard Lederer’s, *Anguished English* is a collection of 2,000 funny stories and flubs in the English language, including bloopers by Sunday School students. Here are a few examples from around the world.

The brother of Jacob was called Seesaw. On Mount Sinai the Lord gave Moses the Ten Amendments. Solomon has 200 wives and 700 cucumbers.

And here are some more. A republican is a sinner mentioned in the Bible. Joan of Arc was burnt to a stake. Martin Luther was on a Diet of Worms.

He then reports that these two notices appear on the pages of the Winnipeg Anglican Cathedral, which is set in a cemetery: “The Anglican Church Welcomes You,” and “The Premises Are Protected by Guard Dogs.”

Thank God for the refreshment of healthy humor. Also thank the Lord for his continued blessings upon His people.

My family and I can hardly wait to invest a few days in Weimar, March 21-25, to search for housing and we’re especially excited to worship with you on March 22nd.

Thank you for your prayers for us as we anticipate moving to Weimar in the months ahead to join you in the important mission and ministry of Weimar United Church of Christ. Shalom to you my brothers and sisters in Christ.



Church Council Meetings

The Church Council last met on February 12, 2020, led by President Kelly Janak. A quorum was established and Marianne given the opening devotional.

Ted provided financial reports ending January 31, 2020. Included in the reports were the following balances: General Fund Checking Account = \$1,381.86; General Fund Savings Account = \$14,305.31 and Building Fund Now Checking Account = \$28,198.05.

Old Business:

Church By-Laws were discussed and it was agreed they need to be revised since council voted recently to reduce the number of council members to nine. Ted agreed to review and make recommendations at the next meeting. The pastor's office needs to be repainted and cleaned up. It was decided to discuss a paint color with Rev. Cervantes when he makes his next visit to Weimar, March 22, 2020.

World Marriage Day will be celebrated on March 22. It was decided to move the 5th Sunday fried chicken luncheon to March 22 since Rev. Cervantes and his family will be here then.

New Member Rosters are available.

New Business:

The Heart of Texas Association's April 4th meeting will be here, starting at 11:00am in the sanctuary, and a meal will be provided by us at 12Noon.

It has been suggested that we get touch-free hand sanitizers. Pam will do some checking on this and report back to council.

March 8 will be clean-up/fix-up day. We will have a pot-luck luncheon, not fried chicken.

Committee Reports:

Christian Education: Pam reported that on March 29 our children will assist in the service.

Property: Hugo reported the work on the parsonage will soon be completed and then he will get it cleaned.

Worship: Marianne stated she is checking in to securing a pastor for April 5 as Rev. Metzger is unavailable that day.

The next council meeting will be on March 11, 2020 at 7:00pm. Hal Leppin will have the opening devotional and lock-up duty in March.

Submitted by Loreen Rhodes *(from notes prepared by Kelly)*



Worship Attendance

January 2020	February 2020
5th85	5th.....83
12th54	9th 68
19th79	16th73
26h70	23rd85
	*26th.....55
January Average—72	
February Average— 77	
*Ash Wednesday	



Visitors to our Church

Peggy Hiatt *(Columbus);*
Rev. Gerald & Karen Metzger *(Universal City);*

Weimar —
Linda Vornsand;
Mark & Sandra Kirkwood;
Cynthia Seydler;
Kevin & Martha Henry

Please pray for ...

... All in the Military, and their families.
... those struggling and/or suffering.
... our world leaders.
... World Peace.
... our church as we prepare for our new pastor.

We Continue to pray for ...

... **Louis Barrilleaux, Joyce Terrell, David Smith, Sharon Huette, Glenn Horndt, Jo Lynn McDonald and Margie Hoffman**

Please keep prayers for;
Kenneth & Julia Krizak for the loss of his brother, Louis Krizak. Rosie Schumbera and her family on the loss of her daughter and the Koller Family on the loss of Raymond Koller.



What is happening at Weimar UCC

March Volunteers

Council Members with Lock-Up Duty —
Hal Leppin

—
He who will unlock the building
and adjust the air early each Sunday —
Kelly Janak & Hugo Richter

—
Those who will care for the
Sirnic Cemetery Plot —
Jenny & Clifford Grohmann

Thanks to All of you!

Sermon Titles/Scriptures for March

March 1	1st Sunday in Lent— Rev. Metzger “No Needs” Genesis 2:15-3:7, Matthew 4:1-11
March 8	2nd Sunday in Lent— Rev. Metzger “Blinding Love” Psalm 121, Genesis 12:1-4a, John 3:1-7
March 15	3rd Sunday in Lent— Rev. Metzger “A Deeper Gift” Psalm 95:1-7, John 4:5-42
March 22	4th Sunday in Lent— Rev. Cervantes TBA
March 29	5th Sunday in Lent— Rev. Metzger “Breath of Life” Psalm 130, Ezekiel 37:1-14, John 11:1ff

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Men’s Brotherhood

Tuesday, March 3rd @ 7:00 pm
Ryan Brandt—Program
Hosts: Hugo Richter & Kelly Janak

Tuesday, April 7th @ 7:00 pm
Ryan Schoeneberg—Program
Hosts: Chris Maddux & Hugo Richter

Evening Circle Meeting

Tuesday, March 10th @ 5:00 pm
Hostesses: Ava June Vachala & Julia Krizak

Tuesday, April 14th @ 5:00 pm
Hostesses: Sandy Kainer & Gretchen Maddux

March 29, 2020



Rev. Gerry Metzger will have the children join him in assisting with the worship service. This is great time for children to build a relationship with Christ. Worship service will start at 9:30 am! Please join us in supporting our youth as they walk down the path of Jesus Christ our savior.

Lilies for Easter

Each year on Easter Sunday, the Weimar UCC sanctuary is decorated with beautiful lilies which are generously provided by our church members. This year, Easter falls on **April 12th**.

By March 15th, a sign-up sheet will be available in the church foyer. It will then be your responsibility to contact a local florist and make your purchase. Our local florists (Flowers by Judy or M-G) have a key to the church and will deliver. The florists will have been advised by **Council Worship Chair Marianne Muehr** on how the flower containers are to be decorated. The florists do not need to know for whom you are donating the lily or lilies. We, however, do need that information, and you must sign up in order for your donation to be included in the bulletin insert on Easter Sunday.



Remember — you need to do two things:

- 1) sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer; and,
- 2) purchase a lily from a local florist.

The deadline for both is Noon on Monday, April 6th. The florists will deliver them to the church on that Saturday, the 11th, and Marianne will arrange the lilies for Easter Sunday. You, of course, may take yours home after

Paddling through Lent — and life



Clean-Up/Fix-Up Day —

Our semi-annual Church & Grounds Fix-Up/Clean-Up Day will be on **Sunday, March 8th**.

We will begin the tasks immediately after the worship service, so come to church dressed casually if you wish. **Both inside and outside jobs will be on Property Chairman Hugo Richter's "to do" list, so all can pick and choose.** A potluck luncheon will be shared by all. Members are asked to provide a dish.

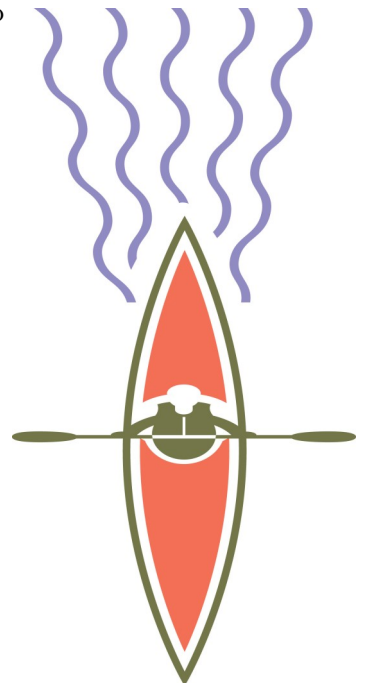
We will need many volunteers to help, so plan to lend a hand in making our church and grounds beautiful. Let's turn this into a "family fun" day!



Lent is a time for restoring balance to our lives. The Eskimos practice balance as they venture into freezing Arctic waters in little boats. If you've ever paddled a kayak, you know how easy they are to tip. Thankfully, kayaks are just as easy to turn back upright.

That isn't a bad image for Lent — or for life as a whole. Whatever spiritual disciplines we adopt, if we succumb to temptation, it's no biggie. One of the lessons of Lent is that, as long as we're traveling light, it takes only a quick twist of the paddle to right us. That paddle twist might take the form of a quick but heartfelt prayer: "Jesus, set me straight again!" Or it might mean some extra time set aside for quiet meditation with God.

Don't get worried if your spiritual discipline fails now and then. Just let Jesus help you get upright once more, and keep paddling!



\$1 for 1 Mission Offering

\$1 for 1 Mission Offering is a ministry opportunity where you can give \$1 in addition to your regular offering each Sunday to benefit a different non-profit organization throughout the year.

Please place your \$1 (more if you wish) in the special envelope marked **\$1 for 1 Mission Offering** and put it in the offering plate each week. ***Keep in mind that if your donation is not placed in the special envelope, it will go into the General Fund.***

Organizations that we are planning to contribute to in 2020 are as follows:

January – K9s4COPS.org

February – Turtle Wing Foundation

March – Hooves & Hounds Rescue & Rehab

April – Colorado County Habitat for Humanity

May – Friends of the Weimar Library

June – Mini Horse Helpers

July – The Heritage Society of Weimar

August – Parents As Teachers

September – Boys & Girls Club of Champion Valley

October – Family Crisis Center

November – Weimar Volunteer Fire Department

December – ARTS for Rural Texas

The purpose of this ministry is to demonstrate that something as small as one dollar can be used to make a difference in the lives of others. Thank you to all who support this special mission project.

We find inner peace when we give generously. Proverbs 11:25

Submitted by Darlia Maxwell, Missions Chair

Special Dates

- First Sunday in Lent, *March 1, 2020*
- World Day of Prayer, *March 6, 2020*
- Second Sunday in Lent, *March 8, 2020*
- Daylight-Saving Time begins, *March 8, 2020*
- Third Sunday in Lent, *March 15, 2020*
- First day of spring, *March 19, 2020*
- Fourth Sunday in Lent, *March 22, 2020*
- Fifth Sunday in Lent, *March 29, 2020*



Use your voice and this hand-crafted percussion instrument to make joyful noises to the Lord.

What you need:

- Dry beans (about one Tbsp)
- Plastic Easter egg
- 2 plastic spoons
- Masking tape
- Markers and stickers

What you do:

1. Place the beans inside the egg and snap it closed.
2. Set the egg in a spoon and cover it with the second spoon so the spoons are holding the egg.
3. Tape the spoons to the egg. Also wrap tape around the spoons from top to bottom to make a shaker handle.
4. Decorate your shaker and use it as you sing praises to God.
5. Experiment with sounds by filling other eggs with coins, rice, and so on.

Heart of Texas

Our Heart of Texas Association Spring Meeting will be on Saturday, April 4th, at Weimar UCC.

Registration starts at 10:30am, with the meeting **beginning at 11**. We will start with worship in the sanctuary and then move to lunch and our meeting in the Weimar church's fellowship hall. We anticipate having people go through the lunch line right after worship, so we can eat and meet at the same time. Our offering will go to donate to provide supplies to those living outdoors at the border in Matamoros awaiting asylum. We will be accepting money and supplies (list of items needed to be distributed later) to be sent down on a trip that United Christian is making later this spring. Those who wish to stay a bit after the meeting are welcome to help sort donated supplies. All paperwork (agendas, reports, and other paperwork we have handed out in the past) will be posted on the Heart of Texas Association website, <http://hotaucc.org/>, the week before the meeting. In order to save paper, we ask that people download these from the website, as we will have only a few copies.

At our meeting, we anticipate discussion and a vote on whether to support the formation of a conference-wide fitness review committee. A fitness review, in the United Church of Christ, is a serious and demanding process that takes place when the fitness of a minister for ministry is brought into question, usually due to a serious accusation. At this time, fitness reviews are held at the Association level by our Committee on Ministry, which has the general task of oversight of ministers in the UCC. When a fitness review occurs, Committee on Ministry members have to be trained in the process, members must recuse themselves if they are close to the person who is the subject of the review, a trained team must be sent to interview people close to the situation, and there are other demanding aspects of the process. During the time of the fitness review, the other tasks of the Committee on Ministry need to continue and, as in any situation where there is a problem of this sort, it is difficult to get work done. Some other Conferences have moved fitness reviews to a Conference level committee, which allows a group to be "on call" with ongoing training and without other ministry oversight tasks to handle. At our Association Meeting, we will be

deciding whether to support this initiative, and our meeting is scheduled in time to give our answer to the Conference Board at its April meeting as they prepare for a possible decision at the South Central Conference Annual Meeting in June. In addition, we anticipate discussion on a few proposed changes to the Conference bylaws.

We also anticipate having either one or two Ecclesiastical Councils, following ordination interviews for one or more candidates to be held at the Committee on Ministry's meeting on Tuesday, March 31st. I will be sending out the information on Ecclesiastical Councils to our churches and ministers as soon we can, and we will be posting the relevant ordination papers on our website as soon as possible.


Finally, on Sunday, February 16th, the Friends Congregational Church Choir sang the Requiem by John Rutter in Carnegie Hall in New York City as part of the Distinguished Concerts Orchestra and Singers Series. I had the privilege of hearing this inspiring and beautiful concert, along with several folks from Friends. **Congratulations, Friends choir!**

Blessings in Christ,
Liz Nash, Association Minister

?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

Who came to Jesus by night to ask him questions, and what famous Bible verse was part of Jesus' answer?

- A. Martha; "I am the resurrection and the life ..."
- B. Peter; "Do to others what you would have them do ..."
- C. Thomas; "I am the way and the truth and the life ..."
- D. Nicodemus; "For God so loved the world ..."



Answer: D (See John 3:1-16.)



Worship Assistants

Liturgists:

1st – Vance Adamcik
8th – Darlia Maxwell
15th – Ross Jaster
22nd – Alice Friedrich
29th— Brooke Wanjura

Song Leaders:

1st, 15th & 29th – Marianne Muehr
8th, & 22nd – Dickie Muehr

Acolytes:

1st—Riley Kainer & Alex Vazquez
8th—Chole Brandt & Kadi Dees
15th—Gavin Schoeneberg & Brinson Huet
22nd—Caroline Koehn & Rayleigh Huet
29th—Emily Wied & Zoe Schoeneberg

Ushers:

1st, 8th & 15th—Kelly & Kathy Janak*, Shannon Adamcik & Harris Keiner
22nd & 29th—Wayne & Jo Lynn McDonald*, Alan & Amy Koehn

Greeters:

1st, 8th & 15th—Lizetta Vanicek & Dawn Davila
22nd & 29th—Peggy Hiatt & Jane Armontrout

Communion Stewards:

1st—Chris Maddux & Emily Latimer

Altar Flowers:

1st—**The Valerie Harmon Family & The Melissa Dittrich Family (In Memory of Donald Ray & Willyne Dunn)
8th—**The Loessin Family (In Memory of M/M George Loessin)
15th—**Ross A. Jaster (In Memory of Rosalie “Book” Chapel)
22nd—**Werner & Nancy Boer (In Memory of Jerry & Chuddie Boer, Ora Nell & Milton Beken, Ford Beken, M/M WM. Boer, and Lillie Beard)
29th—**George & Vera Brandt (In Honor of their Children & Grandchildren)

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NOTE: Kids' Ushers are assigned only during the summer months.

Please Remember —

Calendar your assignments. It is up to you to arrange coverage if you are unable to serve as scheduled.

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Looking Ahead...



Palm Sunday

April 5th @ 9:30 am



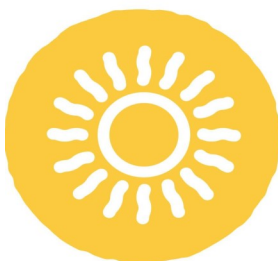
Maundy Thursday

April 9th @ 7:00 pm



Good Friday

April 10th - Community Service TBA



Easter Sunday

April 12th @ 6:45 am (Easter Sunrise Service)

Held at the home of Kevin & Martha Henry (2280 CR 201)

April 12th @ 9:30 am (Easter Service)

Please bring flowers for the cross



April Worship Assistants



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5th—Ted Neely
9th—Paul Hilley
12th—Kristy Janak—Janecka
19th—Ryan Brandt
26th—Lauren Summers

Song Leaders:

5th & 19th—Dickie Muehr
12th & 26th—Marianne Muehr

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5th, 9th & 12th—Melvin Hedt*, Jared Hedt, Ashlie Kunschick, Emilie Kunschick
19th & 26th—Jeremy & Amanda Turlington*, Dalton & Delaney Turlington

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19th & 26th—David & Deanna Niesner

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5th—Amy & Alan Koehn
9th—By Intinction—Lanette Kahlden
12th—Ryan Brandt & Ryan schoeneberg

Altar Flowers:

5th (Palm Sunday) - Jacklyn Marak-Bartosch (In Honor of Randy & Lisa Marak, Kendall & Hunter Hengst, and Shaun Matthews; and, In Memory of Thomas Matthews)
12th (Easter) - Gerald & Donna Kosler (In Memory of their Parents)
19th—**The Jr. Friedrich & Carrol Jean Families (In Memory of Milroy & Delores Hoegemeyer)
29th—**Mark & Lizetta Vanicek (In Memory of Charles Haney; and, In Honor of their Families)

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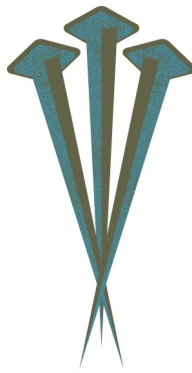
Thanks to All of you!

?? ? **Bible Quiz** ? ??

Three of the Gospels tell that when Jesus was crucified, darkness covered the earth from noon until three in the afternoon. Which Gospel does not mention this event?

- A. Matthew
- B. Mark
- C. Luke
- D. John

Answer: D (See Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, and John 19.)



Nails symbolize Jesus' passion and suffering because they were used at his Crucifixion. They are often depicted in groups of three because two nails were used to secure Jesus' hands, and a third was used to secure his feet. Three nails are also used to identify Jesus as a member of the Holy Trinity.

Easter around the world

Easter traditions are important, but they vary widely. While Americans dye hardboiled eggs, Kenyans carve soapstone eggs and present them as gifts in banana-fiber boxes. In Bermuda, locals fly homemade kites on Good Friday — a tradition that began when a teacher illustrated Christ's ascension to heaven using a cross-shaped kite.

Ethiopian Christians observe a 56-day fast from meat and all animal products. On Easter, they dress in white to worship in churches decorated with handmade fabric. Then they feast with non-Christians on roast chicken, goat and rice.

In France, church bells are silent between Holy Thursday and Easter to observe Jesus' Passion. According to legend, the bells grow wings and fly to Rome to be blessed, returning on Easter with chocolate and presents. In one town's main square, chefs make a giant omelet with 4,500 eggs to feed 1,000 people!

ElderFest — Luncheon & Games for all!



ElderFest at Weimar UCC is not just for folks “of a certain age!” It’s for everyone! We invite you to come join the fun, and bring a friend or two!! Being a Weimar UCC member is not a requirement! All who attend enjoy food, fun, fellowship, domino and card games. Anyone who wishes to enjoy an afternoon social with friends is welcome. **All can look forward to gathering in the fellowship hall on the third Thursday of March (*the 19th*) and April (*16th*).** Come at 11:30 a.m. and plan to stay a while to enjoy the fellowship as well as the food. Volunteers generously provide “everything we hoped for at a church luncheon,” and there is always more than enough for all. “See you there!”

Thanks to all who make this event possible, and to those who attend!

*Thanks to our
Newsletter Workers!*



Editors

Loreen Rhodes & Mindy Malatek

Assembly Team on Call

Linda Barrilleaux,
Julia Krizak, Kenneth Krizak,
Jo Lynn McDonald,
Ed Hilley, Lynelle Schwenke.

Message from our Church Secretary ...

It's good to “be among the living” again after a long bout with walking pneumonia. A little advice from me: If you are 65 or older, do NOT get pneumonia. It's not like when you had it at age 30 or so!!! If 65 or older, you will be told it will take much longer to get over it because you are now “elderly.” It's no fun to be called “that word” over and over. Trust me. Anyway, it's good to be back. I missed all of you. Thanks for your many cards and prayers.

Our 2020 Members' Roster and the church Yearbook are available for pickup in the overflow area. We do not mail them, so if you have not picked up a copy, please do so and mark your assignments. As a reminder, if you have a change in your mailing address, phone number and/or e-mail, please inform the church office as soon as possible.

Many Blessings, Loreen

Please help keep our community food pantry stocked.

Suggestions: March—Canned Vegetables April—Pasta/Rice
(A collection box is in the church foyer.) Thank you!



In Memory of Mr. Jerry Vachala , from:

Kenny & Carrol Jean (*Funeral Food Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Leslie Kahlden , from:

Kenny & Carrol Jean (*Funeral Food Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Fred Schwegmann , from:

Wayne & Jo Lynn McDonald (*Ratliff Music Fund*)

Clifford & Jenny (Loessin) Grohmann (*Ratliff Music Fund*)

In Memory of Mrs. Alice Hattermann , from:

Sally Estrada (*Outside Storage Bldg.*)



(Donations made after March 24th will be listed in the next newsletter.)

Thank you for your consideration of a memorial gift to Weimar UCC.

Below are several choices of special gifts you are welcome to pick from these or feel free to designate your own.

Simply write on the envelope where you would like your memorial placed.

Building Fund
Children's Ministry Fund
Sirnic Memorial Endowment
Parsonage Fund
Ratliff Memorial Music Fund
Church Landscaping Fund
Mission Fund
New Church Start Fund
Outside Storage Building Fund
General Operating Fund

If you have questions about specific funds please ask any church council member.

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

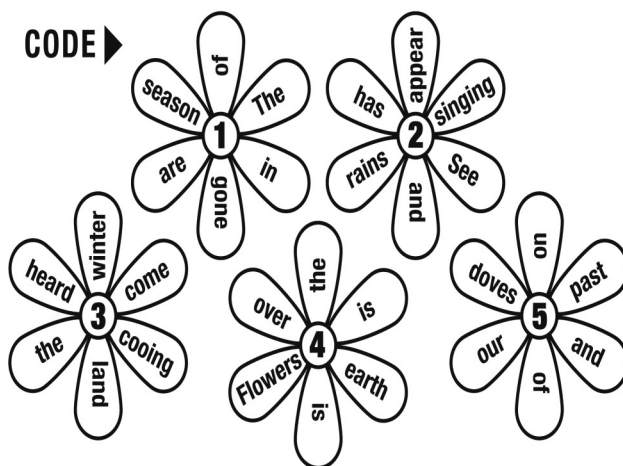
- Match 3rd & 17th @ 12—1 pm : Lions Club Meeting
- March 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th @ 12—1 pm :
Weimar Rotary Club Meeting
- March 5th @ 5—7 pm :
Rotary Pancake & Sausage Supper
- **March 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th & April 3rd—
Fried Catfish Dinner
Weimar Knights of Columbus #2153 @
St. Michael's Catholic Church**
\$10 per drive-thru plate or \$13 for all-you-can-eat inside
- March 11 @ 12—1pm : Encore Lions Club Meeting
- March 12 @ 4—5:30 pm : City Council Meeting
- March 16 @ 10 am—12 pm :
Discovery & Adventure Program
- March 18 @ 11:45 am—1 pm : Weimar Area Chamber
of Commerce Luncheon
- March 24 @ 7—8:30 pm : American Legion Meeting
- April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th @ 12—1:00 pm :
Weimar Rotary Meeting
- April 5th @ 10:30 am—12:30 pm :
St. Rose Altar Society Palm Sunday Dinner
Schulenburg K of C Hall (405 South St)
- April 7th & 21st @ 12:00-1:00 pm : Lions Club Meeting
- April 8th & 22nd @ 12:00-1:00 pm :
Encore Lions Club Meeting
- April 9th @ 4:00 pm—5:30 pm : City Council Meeting
- April 11th : Farmer's Market
- April 15th @ 11:45 am—1:00 pm :
Weimar Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
- April 19th @ 11:00 am—7:00 pm :
Oakland Volunteer Fire Department annual
Chicken-Fried Steak Dinner and Live Auction
- April 28th @ 7:00 pm—8:30 pm :
American Legion Meeting

**Information was pulled from Weimar Area Chamber of
Commerce website on community calendar of events.

Puzzle!

Using the flower code, fill in the blanks to complete the
springtime words from Song of Solomon 2:11-12, NIV.

CODE ▶



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 [3] [1] [1] [2] [2]

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 [4] [3] [1] [5] [3]

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:11-12, NIV

Answer: See! The winter is past; the rains are over
and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of
singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our
land. Song of Solomon 2:11-12, NIV

Saturday, February 15th was a Big Day For Weimar UCC Folks!

For many years, two big events happen around this time of the year, for both men and women. The ladies and girls normally have some type of Banquet and the men and boys have a coon hunt (*when dogs are available*) and a chili/stew supper.

This year, a Girls Night Out was sponsored and organized by our Ladies' Evening Circle. It was a night of fun and table games, after a catered meal. It was attended by our church women and young girls, relatives (*some from out of town*), and friends in the Weimar community. A final count of 71 was made! Games of Chicken Foot, Train, and Canasta were enjoyed by all. A few of the ladies learned and played a new game, however, the name of it slipped away from this writer!

All in all, it was a fun evening, which many have requested we repeat next year! Thanks to all who organized the event and to all who attended. Working together, it was an evening to remember!

The Brotherhood men always hold their event at The Beken's Lazy-A Camp south of Weimar. It was reported that 31 men and boys attended. This year there was no coon hunt, but everyone enjoyed stew and chili, and a time to hang out together.

Green Pea-Bacon Salad

- 2 (10 oz.) pkg. frozen green peas, thawed
- 1 c. commercial sour cream
- 2 green onions, chopped
- 6 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/8 tsp. pepper



Combine all ingredients and mix well. Chill. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

In Memory of Bernice Froelich. Recipe published in Weimar UCC cookbook by Ms. Bernice (Our Millennium Cookbook of Heavenly Dishes 100th Anniversary 1900—2000).

Invest in Futures

In Thailand, a 13-year old girl arrives at the New Life Center, seeking relief from the cruel condition that have brought her here. Her life up to this point has been mostly about survival. Here, she meets others like her. Some are survivors of sexual abuse, domestic violence or human trafficking. Some have been forced to work when they wanted to go to school.

What will the future be like when she is empowered to share her gifts with her community and the world?

At the New Life Center she met with the investment of time, support and resources. And she is loved. She is allowed to imagine a new future. Finishing school. Learning a trade. Even going to University to earn a degree.

In I Corinthians 3:9 Paul writes that we are all co-workers together in God's services. Some of us plant. Some of us water. But God gives the growth. Paul reminds us that we are all called into the service of God, who cares for each and every one of us. What could the future be like when we work to plant and water together, and trust God to give the growth?

When you give to One Great Hour of Sharing, you invest in the futures of these girls and countless others like them. Your gifts go to provide education, vocational training, basic necessities and much-needed community support. When we share the love of Christ in the way, we see lives transformed. Not just their lives, but ours as well. Because when we empower girls to build life for themselves, we help God build a better world for us all.

**We will take donations on March 22, 2020
for One Great Hour of Sharing.**





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Sunday Schedule

Worship: 9:30 a.m.

(Communion every first Sunday)

(nursery provided — cry room available)

Coffee/Fellowship: 10:45 a.m.

Bible Classes for All Ages
(9:00am-9:25am)



March—April 2020

March 29, 2020



**Children Service, March 29 at 9:30 am.
Come and worship with us.
All are welcome!**