

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025**

*It is so good that you are here today. May you be blessed.  
Your presence is a blessing.*

**PLEASE** provide the information requested on our Friendship Pads which the ushers give out.

**HEARING DEVICES** and **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available at the back of the sanctuary. Please ask an usher if needed.  
Hearing aids with Bluetooth can utilize our sound enhancement by downloading the Wave-Cast app from wherever you get your smartphone apps.



**GREETER:** Peter Tortorello and Jeanne Derouin  
**LITURGIST:** Roger Carey  
**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Roger Carey

**THANK YOU** for your continuing support of the Ecumenical Food Pantry. Please bring **Mac n' Cheese** next week.

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY**— Immediately following the service. Members please remain to receive the report and vote on Pastor's Terms of Call.

**EASTER MEMORIAL LILY Orders are due TODAY.**

**DID YOU KNOW...** we have gluten free wafers available for those who need them? We also serve grape juice in lieu of wine on Communion Sundays (1st Sunday of the month).

**LENTEN SUPPERS:** Join us on Wednesday, April 9th at 5 p.m. for a **SOUP POTLUCK** and the last supper of the Lenten season.

**PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13:** Special music and palm processional.

**APRIL 15th MEANS TAXES.** It's also a person's last chance to contribute to their Traditional IRA or Roth IRA for 2024. However, there is no deadline for contributing to a person's **ERA (Eternal Retirement Account)**. Make a contribution to your heavenly account by helping somebody, giving to your church, and praying for your neighbor.

**MARTHA CIRCLE** will meet on Wednesday, April 16 at 11:30 a.m.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 7 P.M.** (*note time change*)

**1st HYMN NOTE:** *“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”* has been the opening hymn in Methodist hymnals throughout the world since the time of Wesley’s *Collection of Hymns for the Use of the People Called Methodists* (1780). The number of stanzas tends to vary, but the complete eighteen were never used as a hymn, and the poem’s original content is little known. It was written by Charles Wesley to commemorate his conversion on May 21, 1738, and was published in *Hymns and Sacred Poems* (1740) with the title *“For the Anniversary Day of One’s Conversion.”* The first six stanzas deal with Wesley’s emotions upon his spiritual transformation. The climactic stanza is apparently an echo of an expression used by Peter Bohler: *“Had I a thousand tongues, I would praise him with them all!”* This itself is reminiscent of a hymn by Johann Mentzer (1658-1734) published in Freylinghausen’s *Gesangbuch* (1704), with the same words in German: *“O dass ich tausend Zungen hÖtte.”*

**THANKS** to the volunteers for the **GREAT** job at the **SENIOR EXPO (3/27)!**



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGE CARD!**  
Total pledged to date: \$214,502  
Total pledged 2024: \$205,351

*Please join us in the Gathering Room after worship  
for coffee and fellowship.*



## CHURCH AT PRAYER

### Current Health Issues:

Joyce Anderson's daughter Cheryl & grand-daughter Kim  
Ben Ashton, & his aunt Minnie  
Ed Bachus  
Linda Banks' mother & friend Loretta Martin  
Jean (Les) Bell  
Karen Bowser's granddaughter, Laura  
Clark & Jean Brillhart's friend, Shirley  
Roger Carey's friend, Chris Z.  
Sally Clark  
George Chamberlin  
Diane Cooper's friends, Jamie B., Ed F. & Terry  
Charlie Costello's great-granddaughter, Scarlett  
Dawn Durling  
Barbara Eisenbach's friends, Mike K. & Rev. Richard Adams  
Carol Ernst's son, Robert  
Diane (Richard) Grant, her sister, Barbara, & brother-in-law, Herb  
Ray & Gayle Green's daughter, Samantha, & grandson Melvin  
Barbara Harding  
Mildred Hartman  
Rev. Sandy Hill  
Donna Jackson  
Ron Kelly  
Mary Keogh's sister, Calista  
Joan Kraftchak's neighbor, Chris  
Sharon Layman's friend, Bill, & sister, Robin DeRosa  
Juanita Leioatts' sister, Shirley, & friend, Teri  
Doreen Lynch's brother, Richard, friends; Jessica, Judy, Chris, & neighbors, Linda & Al  
Marshall (Patsy) McCammack  
Cornelia Mills' daughter, Dawn & son-in-law, Charles

Kathy Morrison  
Bobbi Mosley's nephew Sean  
Dan Sharrow & his friend, Charlie Ralph Smith  
June Taylor's daughter, Cheri  
Norma (Al) Tebbs' friend, Esther Juanita & Bill Welsh  
Jane Wilson  
Carol Wise & her son, Jimmy  
Julie Wylie, & grandson, Austin

### Persistent/Chronic Illness:

Pam Carter  
Pat (John) Carroll  
Stan (Helga) LaVoque

### Homebound/Care facilities:

Patci Blackwood  
Ray Bratberg

### Grieving:

Family & friends of Donna Jackson, on the loss of her mother (2025)  
Family & friends of Kim Hislop, on the death of her mother, Margaret (2/25/25)



**TO REQUEST PRAYER:** Contact the office or speak to a team member.  
**PRAY WITH US**—Tuesday 9:15 a.m.  
**PRAYER TEACHING** — 4th Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. **(MAR. 25)**

**TEAM MEMBERS:** Joyce Anderson, Clark Brillhart, Jane Capo, Pat Carroll, Sally Clark, Barbara Eisenbach, Juanita Welsh (Rev. Jeff Wood)

**CALENDAR: APR. 7-13**

**MONDAY, APR. 7**

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**TUESDAY, APR. 8**

9:15 a.m. Church at Prayer

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

6:15 p.m. Step Group

7:30 p.m. WS-AA

**WEDNESDAY, APR. 9**

**NO** Pastor's Bible Study

3:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**5 P.M. SOUP SUPPER**

6:30 p.m. Men's Step Study

**THURSDAY, APR. 10**

9 a.m. Building & Grounds

10-2 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

5 p.m. Men's Bible Study

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**FRIDAY, APR. 11**

9:30 a.m. Weight Watchers

10-2 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**SATURDAY, APR. 12**

10- 2 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

5 p.m. AA Sundowners

**PALM SUNDAY, APR. 13**

10 a.m. Worship

11 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship

5 p.m. AA Sundowners



**ANNIVERSARIES**

04/17 Roger & Joy Carey  
(45)

04/26 Kathy Landers & Mark  
Comer (5)

**BIRTHDAYS**

04/03 Becky Augenstein

04/03 Tony Capo

04/09 Carol Wise

04/11 Mary Lou Morse

04/13 Laura Kies

04/17 Pat Carroll

04/17 Brian Banks

04/18 Ron Kelly

04/19 Cornelia Mills

04/27 Colleen Cleavenger

04/28 Jean Bell

04/28 Dyette Molstre

***Are we missing YOUR special day? Call the church office to let us know! 772-589-5656***

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