

# The Messenger

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## Being United Methodist Pastoral Letters on the UMC



Growing up in my home we always said a prayer before dinner - **“God is good, God is great, and we thank Him for this food”** - and we attended worship every Sunday. But we didn’t read the Bible or discuss it.

Beliefs about the Bible can be a flashpoint of division. I encourage everyone to do their own reading, study and thinking about the Bible. I try to respect every person’s beliefs and am thankful when others respect mine.

That’s why I love that our United Methodist Articles of Religion include:

“5. The Sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation: ..whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any person that it should be believed as an article of faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation.”

I think that statement leaves room for my belief that the Bible is to be taken seriously, but not literally. That it's inspired of God, but written by humans. Article 5 also includes the names of the books that we consider “canon” in the New Testament.

Article 6. The Old Testament is another that I appreciate. “The Old Testament is not contrary to the New; for both in the Old and New Testament everlasting life is offered to humankind by Christ, who is the only Mediator between God and human, being both God and Man.” I’ve spent a lot of time reading and studying the Old Testament and I agree that it greatly informs my understanding of Christianity.

Here is a list of the 1st 13 Articles of Faith:

1. [Faith in the Holy Trinity](#)
2. [The Word, or Son of God, Who Was Made Very Man](#)
3. [The Resurrection of Christ](#)
4. [The Holy Ghost](#)
5. [The Sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation](#)
6. [The Old Testament](#)
7. [Original or Birth Sin](#)
8. [Free Will](#)
9. [Justification](#)
10. [Good Works](#)
11. [Works of Supererogation](#)
12. [Sin After Justification](#)
13. [The Church](#)

If you have questions - any question - about the UMC, a great resource is “Ask the UMC”. It answers many questions and offers a way for you to ask a new one.

Here is the internet link:

<https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/ask-the-umc>

Making the UMC my Home,  
Pastor Susan

## Trustees Auction is March 23rd



Please mark your calendars to join us for a fun night including great food, music, fellowship, lots of laughs and some great items to bid on. **100% of all proceeds go directly to the church!**

**When:** Saturday March 23 5:00 - 9:00 PM

**Tickets:** \$20 per person (\$10 for 12 and under) and go on sale starting March 3

**Items for Auction:** Please deliver your items to the church beginning Sunday March 17th. If you need items picked up call Marc Trifiletti 949.633.9043.

**Dinner** is being provided by Cowboy Surfer Grill!

So you get dinner, refreshments, dessert and a fun night with fellowship and laughs! We hope everyone will join us for the night and support your church.

Board of Trustees



## MISSIONS & OUTREACH

We are collecting kitchen items for Make it Cozy. These Kitchen Move-In sets will go to the unhoused moving into an apartment with no supplies. Needed are Kitchen towel sets, Scrub sponges or brushes, Pot holders, Peelers, Spatulas, Utensil sets, Measuring spoon and cups, Tupperware-like container sets, Silverware table service for 4. Please leave your items in the marked box by the Settlement House wagon. Thank you so much.

Cheryl Lum & Linda McGranahan, Co-Chairs



## Easter Flower Cross

This Easter Sunday we are inviting everyone to participate in creating an Easter flower cross. The cross will be outside the church entrance and before you enter you may add your flowers to the cross. Any kind or color flowers are fine. When it is finished, we will have a lovely flower covered cross.

Thank you,

Carol Hilton

## Easter Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m., March 31

Enjoy handbells, trumpet  
and special vocal solo

Bring cut flowers to create a  
flower cross for picture  
taking after worship

Special Sunday School  
lesson for Children



## Bad Girls of the Bible invite you to

Join our 5-week study starting Thursday  
April 11, 2024. We meet via Zoom at 6:45pm  
for social time and our lesson starts at  
7:00pm

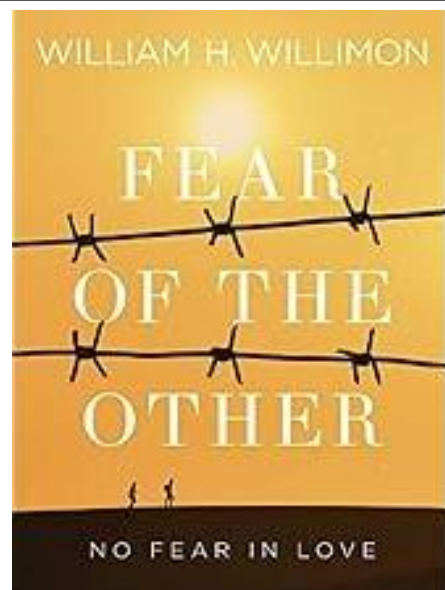
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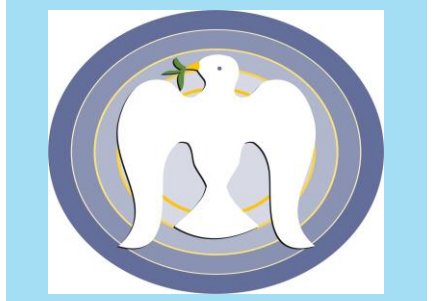
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For more information and your Zoom invite!





April 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 9am <u>Faith Journey</u>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7pm <u>Boy Scouts</u>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 8am <u>All Church clean up</u>
<b>7</b> 10am <u>Worship</u>  6pm <u>Prayer meeting (Zoom)</u>	<b>8</b> 10am - 12pm <u>Seams of Faith</u>	<b>9</b> 9am <u>Faith Journey</u>	<b>10</b> 6:30pm <u>Trustee meeting</u>	<b>11</b> 7pm <u>Boy Scouts</u>  7pm <u>Bad Girls of the Bible (Zoom)</u>	<b>12</b> 6:30pm - 7:30pm <u>Cub Scouts</u>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 10am <u>Worship</u>  4pm <u>Celebration of Life for Dick Carlson</u>  6pm <u>Prayer meeting (Zoom)</u>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 9am <u>Faith Journey</u>  1pm <u>Finance Committee meeting</u>  7pm <u>Church Council meeting</u>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 7pm <u>Boy Scouts</u>  7pm <u>Bad Girls of the Bible (Zoom)</u>	<b>19</b> 6:30pm - 7:30pm <u>Cub Scouts</u>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 10am <u>Worship</u>  6pm <u>Prayer meeting (Zoom)</u>	<b>22</b> 10am - 12pm <u>Seams of Faith</u>	<b>23</b> 9am <u>Faith Journey</u>	<b>24</b> 10am <u>UWF Executive Board meeting at Faxon's House</u>  11am <u>UWF Book Club at Faxon's House</u>	<b>25</b> 7pm <u>Boy Scouts</u>  7pm <u>Bad Girls of the Bible (Zoom)</u>	<b>26</b> 6:30pm - 7:30pm <u>Cub Scouts</u>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 10am <u>Worship</u>  6pm <u>Prayer meeting (Zoom)</u>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 9am <u>Faith Journey</u>				



- 4/3 Marc T
- 4/6 Lindsey A
- 4/10 Jim O
- 4/11 Lyle W
- 4/11 Laura P
- 4/26 Michael S
- 4/30 Merci K
- 4/30 Herson P



Anniversaries:  
Shirley & Clinton C

*Church Announcements*

\*A note about the deadline for the next Messenger please turn in information by 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 26th March for it to be included on the next messenger.

**Finance Committee**

February Month to Giving: \$24,243.99  
March Month to Date Giving: \$23,147.99  
Budget Needed: \$30,000

Attendance 2/25/24: In person - 98  
Online - 41  
Attendance 3/3/24.: In person - 90  
Online - 37  
Attendance 3/10/24: In person - 103  
Online - 31  
Attendance: 3/17/24: In person - 105

We wish to THANK you for your Tithes and Offerings. Your GIFTS support the Mission of this church.

**How to Give**

Thank you for your tithes and offerings!  
Please place them in the offering box located in the back of the sanctuary, send by mail, or use Zelle by going to Zellepay.com or download the App.

Use Coronaumc@aol.com



A message from Jeannie Craddock:

Holly Gifford also known as Holly Craddock has passed away March 3, 2024. The family thanks everyone for their prayers, love, and support.