

Thoughts from Pastor Kevin....

Blessings to you, HUMC family and friends!

2023 has dawned!

As we live into this exciting new year, I can't help but reflect on the year that was – 2022. With a new vision on our hearts to **connect with the disconnected in a Jesus-centered life**, exciting things began to happen:

- A new Family Event Team, created to discover and implement ways for us to celebrate as a church and as part of the Harrisonville community. Movie nights, chili cook-offs Trunk'R'Treat, Hanging of the Greens fellowship... able led by Kathy Bechtel, we are a church that loves to party in the Lord!
- A new Parenting Community Group, led by Shannon Pollard, whose dream is to bring all who care for children together for support and to learn from one another.
- A new worship outreach ministry – The Table – which met for five preview worship services at the Brick House Coffee Bar & Eatery, reaching out to new people in our community in a very different way on Wednesday evenings. At The Table, all are welcome, regardless of who they are, regardless of what they believe.... All are welcome.
- Exciting new ministries for children and youth with new Director of Family Ministries Stephen Buller. Mr. Buller also preaches for us on occasion.
- A building spirit of excitement as we continue to recover from our worldwide Covid-season.

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With this new year, wonderful possibilities for transforming our community with the love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Our new initiatives begun in 2022 are blooming, with our Table ministry officially launching on January 11, our Family Event Team sponsoring a New Year's potluck dinner and a food drive, and our Parenting Community Group continuing their outreach! Stephen has met with the families of children and youth in our church to plan out an exciting 2023!

As we continue to live into the new year, I look forward to the new ways and new relationships that Jesus will show us as we continue to **connect with the disconnected in a Jesus-centered life**. It's going to be so exciting and so transforming as we begin to foster new partnerships with Bright Futures Harrisonville and with services such as our Shepherd Food Pantry!

Church family and friends, GET EXCITED! I invite you all to be in prayer and to open up your heart to what you will be a part of in living out our vision in 2023! Bottom line – my prayer is that by the end of 2023, everyone will know HUMC as the church with the heart that's transformed Harrisonville! With Jesus, we're going to do this!

In Jesus love,
Pastor Kevin

The Table Ministry

Ways to help The Table Ministry

Bring savory snacks: cheese, summer sausage, pretzels, etc. Drop donations off at table in Hub

Donate funds to go toward Table Ministry expenses. Make checks out to "HUMC" and memo line "Table"

Help load, set up or break down worship at the Brick house on Wednesdays nights

Bring sweet snacks: cookies, candy, home made treats, etc. Drop donations off at table in Hub

Bring hot drinks (tea bags, hot chocolate, cider). Drop donations off at table in Hub

Monetary donations can be dropped in the offering plates on Sundays or mailed to HUMC, P.O. box 567, Harrisonville MO.

To volunteer in set up, during worship, or break down for "The Table" on Wednesday, contact Rev. Kev Shelton at harrisonvilleumc.pastor@gmail.com

Worship at THE TABLE

Sharing Our Questions About Faith



Wednesday nights 7-8 pm

A Place of Spiritual Connection Where All Belong

Located at The Brick House
Coffee Bar & Eatery
SE side of the Square
201 E. Wall Street,
Harrisonville MO



HUMC has been greatly blessed by The United Methodist Foundation for a grant check to help towards The Table .



JANUARY & FEBRUARY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

Kathy Bechtel—1/03

Jean Suman—1/16

Jeanette Bartles—1/16

Josie Hayes—1/18

Riley Mathew—1/21

Cathi Godfrey—1/24

Shirley Anderson—1/26

Gail Roberts—1/27

Jennifer Maldonado—1/27

Malinda Barr—2/01

Randy Hawkins—2/01

Vonna Streit - 2/01

Samuel Crust -2/03

Sabrina Rowden—2/04

Brian Harms -2/05

Valerie Wilson -2/06

Jerald Yoder—2/09

Julia Stewart—2/09

Lilly Feece 2/13

Mallory Moennig-2/13

Emma Dubinsky—2/15

Barbara Yeager 2/16

Rehnee Jacobs—2/16

Jill Chevalier 2/17

Stephen Buller 2/17

Kendra Orlando 2/20

Everett Bechtel 2/22

Kenton Hawley—2/22

Marilyn Curtis—2/22

Valerie Hawkins 2/24

Grace Bales 2/26

Carolyn Randol 2/28

UWF February Schedule

2/07 @ 9:30a—Executive Meeting

2/07 @ 5:30p – Night Owls

2/14 @ 9:30a—Ruth Circle Meeting

2/14 @ 10:30a—General Meeting

2/21 @ 11:30a—Lunch Bunch

TO BE DECIDED—Work Day

Family Ministry



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Steve & Karen Conn—1 /05

Bob & Carole Bohle—1/26

Jack & Elaine Haines—2/01

Paul & Lisa Slover—2/08

Scott & Melissa Potter—2/11

Darrell & Joanne Myers—2/14

Charles & Donna Hotchkiss—2/14

Mike & Cindy Bartles—2/19

Fun for the Whole Family



**To Carpool, be at the Church at 3:30
Adrian Lanes Bowling Alley,
32 E Main St., Adrain, MO 64720
Date: February 19, 2023
Time: 4 – 6 pm**

February 2023: THE SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES FOR OUR CHILDREN

HOW TO...

WEEK 1

Jesus taught us how to **make a difference.**

WEEK 2

Jesus taught us how to **love our enemies.**

WEEK 3

Jesus taught us how to **share with others.**

WEEK 4

Jesus taught us **how to pray.**

"I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."

John 13:15 (NIV)

Prayers

Church Family

Shirley Anderson
Jeanette Bartles
Nancy Cartmill
Amy Catron
Peggy Clum
Sue Dudley
Jerry Hayes
Ernie Johnson
Charlotte King
Gene Long
Gloria Luzadder
Diane Patterson
Virgil and Sharon Poisal
Shirley Howell
Shirley Schimmelpfenning
Steve Stewart
Virginia Thomas
Veronica Wood

Extended Church Family

Virginia Thomas' great-granddaughter
Randy Hawkins' grandmother
Chris Feece's father, Terry
Helen Sellberg's granddaughter, Allee
Sabrina Rowden's grandmother, Violet

Military Family

Michael Catron
Charles Hammonds
Isaiah Smith
Zachery Teters

Nursing Homes /Assisted Living

Ellen Kew
Carolyn King
Walt Bruens
Joan Moeller

PLEASE REVIEW THE PRAYER LIST AND EMAIL OR CALL ME WITH ANY UPDATES OR CHANGES TO THE LIST. WE WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THIS AS ACCURATE AS POSSIBLE.

THANK YOU!

Karen Conn—Office Administrator



Ash Wednesday Service, Wednesday, February 22 at 7 pm



FEED THE HUNGRY

Next Opportunity to help is February 17th.

See Barb Bennett for details



**Youth Auction is March 18, 2023.
See Stephen Buller for Donations.**



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The HVMC



February 2023

Connection

Lent

This is the time of fulfillment.
The Kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent and believe in the Gospel.

MARK 1:15



CALLED TO MORE

A Lenten Series on Wrestling with Sin

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 22, through Easter Sunday, April 9